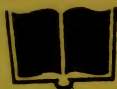




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Grand Lodge of California.

I, ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, Grand Secretary of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of California, do hereby certify that the following pages contain a true and faithful transcript of the proceedings of that Body, at its Twenty-eighth Annual Communication—commenced at the City of San Francisco on Tuesday, the ninth day of October, A. L. 5877, and terminated on Saturday, the thirteenth day of said month—and of the returns of the subordinate Lodges, together with other matters authorized to be published.



In Testimony Whereof

I have hereunto appended my official signature and have affixed the Seal of the Grand Lodge of the State of California, at the office of the Grand Secretary in the Masonic Temple, City of San Francisco, this tenth day of December, in the Year of Light, Five Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-seven.

Alex. G. Abell
Grand Sec.

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OF THE

M.:W.:GRAND LODGE

OF

Free and Accepted Masons

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

AT ITS

Twenty-Eighth Annual Communication,

HELD AT

The Masonic Temple, in the City of San Francisco:

COMMENCED ON

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OF

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

Twenty-eighth Annual Communication.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of California commenced its Twenty-eighth Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the city of San Francisco, on Tuesday, the ninth day of October, A. L. 5877, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Upon calling the roll of members there were found present the following—

GRAND OFFICERS :

The M. W.	JOHN MILLS BROWNE,	Grand Master;
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" W.	JONATHAN DOAN HINES,	Grand Marshal;
" W.	SAMUEL GRAVES,	Grand Bible Bearer;
" W.	SAMUEL CALVERT FOY,	Grand Standard Bearer;
" W.	WILLIAM CROMWELL LEMMON,	Grand Sword Bearer;
" W.	ROBERT CHIDLEY BRODER,	Senior Grand Deacon;
" W.	JAMES VANCE,	Junior Grand Deacon;
" W.	RICHARD WILSON BRETT,	Senior Grand Steward;
" W.	WILLIAM BRADFORD,	Junior Grand Steward;
" W.	ALEXANDER GIBSON OLIVER,	Grand Pursuivant;
" W.	SAMUEL DAVID MAYER,	Grand Organist;
" W.	JAMES OGLESBY,	Grand Tyler;

PAST GRAND OFFICERS :

The M. W.	NATHANIEL GREENE CURTIS,	Past Grand Master;
" M. W.	WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER,	Past Grand Master;
" M. W.	WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES,	Past Grand Master;
" M. W.	LEONIDAS E. PRATT,	Past Grand Master;
" M. W.	ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS,	Past Grand Master;
" M. W.	GEORGE CLEMENT PERKINS,	Past Grand Master;
" R. W.	LOUIS COHN,	Past Senior Grand Warden;
" R. W.	THEODORE GUEVARA COCKRILL,	Past Senior Grand Warden;
" R. W.	WILLIAM BOYD PARKER,	Past Senior Grand Warden;
" R. W.	WILEY JAMES TINNING,	Past Senior Grand Warden;
" R. W.	JAMES WITHERSPOON BICKNELL,	Past Junior Grand Warden;
" R. W.	CHARLES EDWARD MITCHELL,	Past Junior Grand Warden;
" R. W.	JACOB HART NEFF,	Junior Grand Warden;

And the representatives of one hundred and seventy-seven chartered Lodges, with delegates from four Lodges under dispensation, and a large number of Past Masters entitled to seats.

There being a sufficient representation, the Grand Lodge of California was opened in Ample Form, with music by the choir and prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The reading of the proceedings of the last Annual Communication was dispensed with, the members being furnished with printed copies thereof.

The Grand Master announced the appointment of the following committee—

On Credentials:.....	{	Bro. George Tuttle Grimes,
		“ Ellison Lassell Crawford,
		“ Theodore Reiser,
		“ Charles Mortimer Coglan,
		“ Warren Guilford Holmes.

BRO. GEORGE T. BROMLEY, on behalf of the Masters, Wardens, and Past Masters of the Lodges in the city of San Francisco, presented an invitation to the Grand Lodge to participate in a grand clam-bake at Old Saucelito on Wednesday, the 11th inst., at one o'clock, P. M.; which invitation was accepted by an unanimous vote.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Lodge.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Tuesday, October 9th, A. L. 5877. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at two o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

BRO. GEORGE T. GRIMES, from the Committee on Credentials, reported the following officers and representatives of chartered Lodges, delegates from Lodges under dispensation, and Past Masters by service within this jurisdiction, as being present and entitled to seats, viz.: from—

California,.....No. 1,,	{	FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, Master ;	}	Past Masters.
		GEORGE JOHNSON, Senior Warden ;		
		ALISON VAN DENBURGH, Junior Warden ;		
		ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL,		
		WILLIAM THOMAS REYNOLDS,		
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Tehama,.....No. 3,,	{	ISAAC STANWOOD LOCKE,	}	Past Master ;
		GEORGE TISDALE BROMLEY,		
Benicia,.....No. 5,,	{	WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, Master and Past Master ;	}	Past Master.
		ALBERT BRIGHAM BYRD,		
Tuolumne,.....No. 8,,	{	WILLIAM SEWALL WELLS,	}	Past Master.
		EDWIN ALDRICH RODGERS,		
	{	WILLIAM GILES LONG,	}	Past Master.

<i>Corinthian</i> ,.....	No. 9,...	LEMUEL TRESCOTT CRANE, Master and Past Master.
<i>San Jose</i> ,.....	No. 10, ..	{ SAMUEL WATSON BORING, Master and Past Master ; WILLIAM ALEXANDER JANUARY, Past Master.
<i>Yount</i> , ...	No. 12,..	{ FINIS EWING JOHNSTON, Master ; HENRY HAY KNAPP, } Past Masters. WILLIAM BRADFORD, }
<i>Nevada</i> ,.....	No. 13,..	{ IANTHIS JEROME ROLFE, Master and Past Master ; THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, Past Master.
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<i>Eureka</i> ,.....	No. 16,..	{ EDWARD FREDERICK HOLLEY, Master ; JACOB HART NEFF, } Past Masters. WALTER BENJAMIN LYON, } ORRIN WHITCOMB HOLLENBECK, }
<i>Parfaite Union</i> ,....	No. 17,..	{ DOMINIQUE GERMAIN LUCIEN, Master and P. Master ; PHILIPPE SABATIE, Senior Warden ; LEON BLUM, Junior Warden.
<i>Mountain Shade</i> ,...No.	18,..	{ BENJAMIN PAULY, Master ; LEONIDAS E. PRATT, Past Master.
<i>San Joaquin</i> ,.....	No. 19,..	{ ISAAC LOTHROP, Master ; WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, } Past Masters. ALEXANDER CHALMERS, }
<i>Washington</i> ,.....	No. 20,..	{ EDWIN GLOVER, Master ; HAMILTON CARTER HARRISON, Past Master.
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- Elk Grove*, ... No. 173, ... { EVANDER BERRY WILLIS, Master ;
CYRUS BRACKETT KENNARD, Junior Warden.
- Drytown*, ... No. 174, ... WILLIAM TIPPETT, Senior Warden.
- Antioch*, ... No. 175, ... GEORGE CREIGHTON WRIGHT, Representative.
- Azlan*, ... No. 177, ... ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, Representative.
- Phoenix*, ... No. 178, ... { JOHN CALEB KING, Master and Past Master ;
ISAAC RAPHAEL BRUNN, Past Master.
- Mendocino*, ... No. 179, ... FRANCIS EDWARD WARREN, Master and Past Master.
- Arcturus*, ... No. 180, ... BENJAMIN FRANKLIN TUTTLE, Past Master.
- Russian River*, ... No. 181, ... GEORGE HENRY KENNEDY, Master.
- Clear Lake*, ... No. 183, ... HENRY HARRISON WILSON, Past Master and Rep.
- Sierra Valley*, ... No. 184, ... WILLIAM CROMWELL LEMMON, Master and P. Master.
- Claiborne*, ... No. 185, ... GEORGE SHEPPARD SPAULDING, Past Master and Rep.
- Evening Star*, ... No. 186, ... MARTIN MARK, Master.
- Keith*, ... No. 187, ... HENRY CONRAD WARNER, Master.
- Oakland*, ... No. 188, ... { NATHAN BENEDICT HOYT, Senior Warden ;
WILLIAM ADDISON WALTER, Past Master.
- Latrobe*, ... No. 189, ... { EMORY WATKINS, Representative ;
BENJAMIN NORTON BUGBEY, } Past Masters.
ARTHUR EDMUND HILL, }
- Northern Light*, ... No. 190, ... { JAMES FLETCHER WINSSELL, Senior Warden ;
JOSEPH CALVIN BROWN, Junior Warden.
- Marin*, ... No. 191, ... { JOHN SIMS, Master and Past Master ;
WILLIAM N ANDERSON, Past Master.
- Santa Barbara*, ... No. 192, ... ROLLIN DUNSHEE, Master and Past Master.
- Ferndale*, ... No. 193, ... GREEN GROVE DUDLEY, Master.

<i>Calistoga</i> , ...	No. 233, . . .	JOHN RIPLEY WRIGHT, Master.
<i>Hope</i> , ...	No. 234, . . .	FLAVIUS JASON WINCHEL, Master.
<i>Surprise Valley</i> , . . .	No. 235, . . .	JOHN HEATH BONNER, Master and Past Master.
<i>Hill's Ferry</i> , ...	No. 236, . . .	PATRICK MANNING, Past Master and Representative.
<i>Guadalupe</i> , ...	No. 237, . . .	JONAS WESCOATT, Representative.
<i>Type</i> , ...	No. 238, . . .	{ JOHN YOUNG THOMAS, Senior Warden ; ALEXANDER GIBSON OLIVER, Past Master.
<i>Pescadero</i> , ...	No. 239, . . .	RICHARD JOHN McNULTY, Master.
<i>Equality</i> , ...	No. 240, . . .	WILLIAM DAY DEAN, Master.
<i>Magnolia</i> , ...	No. 242, . . .	CHARLES JEROME PADDOCK, Past Master and Rep.
<i>Eucalyptus</i> , ...	No. 243, . . .	JAMES DAVIS AUSTIN, Past Master.
<i>Alcatraz</i> , ...	U. D., . . .	CHARLES HENRY REDINGTON, Delegate.
<i>Laurel</i> , ...	U. D., . . .	LEWIS LEONARD BOWERS, Delegate.
<i>Pomona</i> , ...	U. D., . . .	WILLIAM THOMAS MARTIN, Past Master and Delegate.
<i>Fresno</i> , ...	U. D., . . .	ORVILLE S. PUTNAM, Delegate.

Which report was concurred in and the brethren therein named were admitted to seats.

The Grand Master then delivered his Annual Address to the Grand Lodge, as follows :—

BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE OF CALIFORNIA :—

In Normandy, so runs the legend, some hundreds of years ago, a mighty lord had called together his retainers and set them to work in building a castle. While thus employed an excessive drought prevailed over the land, and the scarcity of water with which to mix the mortar put a stop to the work on the building. The mighty lord had vaults well filled with wine, and in order that the work might go on and the workmen be relieved from the distress succeeding its cessation, he ordered the vaults to be opened and the wine to be brought forth and used in place of water to prepare the mortar. The work continued, the castle was completed and became the wonder and pride of the province, and for centuries afterward, the winds, in passing over the castle, became laden with the fragrance of the old wine used in its building, and was wafted through the valleys and over the plains like unto the incense of a breeze that wanders among sweet scented plants, and was conveyed to the people who partook of the fragrance which unceasingly told of its origin in the olden time, of its undiminished strength and perpetuity, and evoked reverential emotions and called forth grateful recognitions of the power and goodness of the mighty lord who, in his wisdom and consideration, had thus favored a people.

Masonry is our castle, and the realization of its lofty and ennobling principles is the wine used to cement the unity of brotherhood, the fragrance of which is the grand though unseen influence which has ever elevated and refined communities, and been acknowledged and fostered by the recipients of its blessings.

To our present assemblage there comes the recollection of events and associations which characterized those in which we have participated, and their beneficial influences will silently though surely affect our views and actions. To us comes the remembrance of the words and deeds of those who were our predecessors in these annual assemblies, and to us comes the inheritance of example and result derived from an unbroken succession of Masonic ancestry. With receptive minds these combined influences will have the appreciation and elicit consequences as satisfactory as those which came to the admiring, wondering people who inhaled the fragrance of the nobleman's wine, which, although ripened by time, ever gave forth the pleasing flavor of its original richness.

Our last communication occurred at a time memorable as the Centennial of our political institutions, which signalized the substitution of acknowledged fact for experiment, and demonstrated the practicability of popular sovereignty and the education of the masses, thereby confirming the principles of self-government and the right of every one to exercise the liberty of the soul. It witnessed the centenary of a republic and all that pertained to its material progress, the advancement of a higher civilization, and the arts and sciences—a republic born under oppression, increasing without unjust conquest or unlawful absorption, respecting the rights of other nations, with no disposition to suppress or destroy, seeking international friendship, fostering “the struggle of intelligence on the pacific ground of national development,” and finally arriving at a matured growth, which, nourished by common effort, common forbearance, and common devotion, will continue to preserve individual liberty and perpetuate national unity.

The advent of the succeeding year was not attended with the ordinary favorable auspices. Political antagonism was menacing and productive of apprehension, the absence of the accustomed rain occasioned an unhappy anxiety as to its effect upon the future prosperity and health of communities, the loss of fortunes at the alluring and fascinating shrine of the stock board, and the partially paralyzed condition of trade and industry, with financial and commercial depression, all served to make, for many, distrust, dejection, and despair, the ushers of the new year. During the year now passing away the privation of rain in certain portions of our State has prevented crops, destroyed cattle, and brought individual pecuniary distress, and our streets have afforded scenes of passion and fury attending the presence of men reckless to the verge of audacity and lawless to the verge of cruelty, who, by their riotous proceedings, produced a civil disquietude; yet the sound of conflicting armies has not been heard, no fires have consumed our cities, no pestilence nor famine have desolated our homes, no sudden disaster has retarded the gradual recovery of the industries and trade, nor has the loss of fortune failed to bring an experience ever teaching, by necessitated retrenchment, that fickle and merciless is the fate which entices, intoxicates, and pitilessly destroys the victims to stock-gambling.

We, representatives of the noblest sentiments, have come hither from our various vocations, to meet again in convocation, not impelled by “a brief flash of energy,” but with definite motives, and a foreshadowed intention to completely perform our duty, to exchange fraternal greetings, to give and receive opinions, to labor and fulfill claims; and this we do with an assurance of the healthy condition of the Craft, and in the knowledge that comparative peace and harmony prevail throughout the jurisdiction. Let us have faith in the boundless wisdom of God; let us realize the great law of duty toward Him; let us strive to learn, to think, to do, to bear; and thus, in fervency and earnestness, gratefully recognize His loving kindness in permitting this assemblage, and humbly invoke His guidance that its important duties may be acceptably done.

We regret the absence of familiar faces, yet we welcome the new ones as an earnest that they will adequately supply the places we were so accustomed to see filled by others, and we trust that they will be guided by the approved labors and recognized zeal of those whom they have succeeded, in attending to the interests of their respective charges, and in uniting in the wish and endeavor to promote the common weal. Let it be remembered that, by virtue of your offices, awarded by the elective favor of your brethren, you are, in a certain sense, to be regarded as exemplars of that which is just, true, and good in your moral, social, and political life. Human motives are distorted and discolored, and usually misconstrued by the uncharitable, who are prone to ascribe sinister and selfish reasons, and find defects and abuses; and the only complete and direct denial is to be had in a life whose actions are noble, pure, and earnest. Meanness, baseness and falsity, betrayed confidence, and broken faith will be encountered, and petty interests will be arrayed in opposition

to the promotion of public welfare. This is the experience of most men, and from it you can hardly expect to be exempt. As exemplars of Masonry, honestly endeavor to be free from errors and weaknesses, and judge men and their actions with equanimity, for their faults may be like those possessed by you when patience and forbearance were denied; therefore, exercise an equity in their arraignment, a sympathizing equity which is above the severeness of exacting justice.

It is to be supposed that you have made yourselves acquainted with all the requirements demanded for the proper government and piloting of your Lodges under the varied conditions to which they may be subjected. You will meet with perplexities and discouragements which will call forth the strongest effort for self-repression; yet, knowing well your duty, and resolutely performing it in fearless truthfulness and confidence, with a force, calm and benignant, but simple and direct in purpose, with a judgment which partiality cannot pervert nor prejudice color, irrespective of antipathies and sympathies, you will receive a ready and respectful obedience, enjoy an independence that will not be shaken, and be reputed for an integrity that cannot be corrupted, and a moral and intellectual rectitude that will not be questioned. You will have continual opportunities for doing good and being kind, and for the exhibition of tenderness, patience, and self-denial; your generosity will be supposed, your liberality expected, and your charity asked for; these and other things will happen because you are Masons. Of you much is expected, but you will not disappoint the expectations if you do your duty, and your duty is to fulfill the claims of the Lodge; and in doing your duty let it be combined with love for Masonry, which is a love for the beautiful and true—a love for the cause of right and justice—a love for lofty views of life, nobleness of character, and generosity of disposition—and, strong-hearted and practical, you will have served Masonry in its interests, advancement, and honor.

The success and common satisfaction attending the holding of district meetings last year induced me to continue the policy adopted, and preferably those localities were selected that had rarely or never been visited by a Grand Master.

On March thirtieth, 1877, a meeting of the fourteenth district was held at Petaluma, with representatives from six Lodges.

On May twenty-second, a meeting of the eighteenth district was held at Jackson, and, of the eleven Lodges comprising the district, seven were represented.

The meeting of the first district occurred at Eureka on the eleventh of June, three of the five Lodges having representation. While in Humboldt county, the opportunity was improved to inspect the Lodge-rooms and books of *Arcata* Lodge, No. 106; *Eel River* Lodge, No. 147; and *Fendale* Lodge, No. 193.

At Nevada City, on the twentieth of June, was held a meeting of the eighth district, where all the Lodges were represented except one.

On June twenty-second, the Lodge-room and books of *Illinoistown* Lodge, No. 51, at Colfax, were inspected.

In the ninth district, a meeting was held at Auburn, on the twenty-third of June, and, of the ten Lodges composing the district, all were represented save two.

On the twenty-fifth of June, a meeting of the seventeenth district was held at Placerville, at which six of the nine Lodges of the district were represented.

At Susanville, on the twenty-fourth of July, was held a meeting of the fourth district, two of the three Lodges being represented.

In the fifth district, two meetings took place; one at Quincy, on the twenty-seventh of July, and one at Sierraville, on the first of August; and, of the Lodges, one-half were represented at the former and one-half at the latter place.

The meeting of the sixth district occurred at La Porte, on the twenty-eighth of July, and every Lodge was represented.

On the thirtieth of July, a meeting of the seventh district was held at Downieville, and a representation was present from all the Lodges of the district.

At Truckee, on the second of August, an informal meeting of *Truckee Lodge*, No. 203, was held.

In addition to the above, special visits have been made to several Lodges, on which occasions I have conferred the third degree in part or in its entirety. At several of the district meetings, in the inability of the Grand Lecturer to attend, the duty of exemplifying the work devolved upon myself, when I received assistance from the Inspector present.

During my term of office I have visited twenty-seven of the thirty-one districts in the jurisdiction, the unvisited being the second, the twelfth, the twenty-seventh, and the thirtieth, which, from their remoteness, together with the want of requisite time from governmental duties, I have been unable to inspect, greatly to my regret, not alone for the pleasure and advantage expected therefrom, but as an unavoidable non-performance of the programme arranged. The attendance, the interest, general good sense and good feeling evinced, and the endeavor to profit by the occasion, were prominent features of the district meetings. The average work was good, all was fair, and some excellent. The exceptions taken were generally errors of a minor degree, and the burden of criticism was had in the too frequent introduction of words not in the ritual—a redundancy of speech which will be obviated by the instruction given. Evidence was shown that, by careful attention and frequent practice, a close approximation to the exactness of the original text would be attained, sufficient to ultimately merit and receive the commendation of Masonic ritualists, even if critically severe. I do not hesitate to say, my extended observation warranting the assertion, that the system of inspection, as established in this jurisdiction, has some time since passed from the experimental to the successful state; and I congratulate you on the possession of a ritual, which, for thoroughness, completeness, grammatical construction, terseness, easiness of acquisition, and effective illustration, is pre-eminent, and so widely known as to have nearly supplanted those portions of other rituals which seemed to be unalterably associated with our work, either as an addition or substitution, and which were so persistently employed as to make any permanent radical change appear impracticable, if not impossible. Now, happily, the indications point to the realization of the expectations of the originators and promoters of our system, that, at no distant day, the correctness, precision, and uniformity of work will be proclaimed in the Grand Lodge as prevailing throughout the jurisdiction.

These meetings served to enlarge and enhance the social relations of the brethren present, occasioned a comparison of ideas, and witnessed their exhibition in certain of the proceedings. The Craft were fraternal and kind in manner, earnest and interested, and expressive of gratification at having been present to witness the exemplification of the authorized work. I have to acknowledge the kindest consideration, respect, and courtesy which attended my reception; and, in some instances, the warm impulses of a generous nature made my position embarrassing by the prodigal hospitality bestowed. I now officially recognize the kindnesses received, the recollection of which will be carried into the future as associations among the happiest of my Masonic career.

In investigating the causes which disturb, perplex, and embarrass Lodges in their financial and working condition, retarding growth, impairing influence, injuring reputation, and making them what they ought not to be, in striking contrast to what they might and should be, I found a lack of attendance at Lodge labors, careless introduction of new material, persistent abuse and indiscriminate use of the black-ball, a reluctant, tardy, or non-payment of dues, inexcusable carelessness, and an illiberal and unmasonic treatment of the applications for affiliation from non-affiliates. These depressing and sapping influences were mentioned at length in my former message, and consequently it is not proposed to again occupy your time in their detailed reiteration, all that is requisite being to indicate in substance that they

do exist, and to urge a more determined effort for their removal, else it may rightfully be expected that there will be no decided improvement, and that our just reward for this indifference, negligence, and absence of genuine Masonic feeling will be a want of proper estimation, or even a condemnation, from without our borders, and repining and regret from within our hearts.

For the convenience of the Lodges composing the fifth and sixth districts of last year, I caused the formation of an additional district, thus dividing the jurisdiction into thirty-one instead of thirty districts.

Reports in conformity with the General Regulations have been received from the Inspectors of the first, fifth, sixth, seventh, ninth, tenth, twelfth, fifteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, twentieth, twenty-first, twenty-third, twenty-fourth, twenty-seventh, twenty-ninth, thirtieth, and thirty-first districts, and are herewith presented.

These reports, whether written in brief or extended language, have afforded me satisfaction, since they confirmed entertained opinions, imparted worthy suggestions, and gave evidence of zeal, ability, and meritorious labor on the part of their authors. For the gratification attending their reception my thanks are publicly rendered.

I truly regret that the other Inspectors have not been pleased to furnish their reports, for it is evident that the information derived from the Inspector of each district would be of great service to the Grand Master in the preparation of his annual message. Independently of the requirement in the General Regulations that such reports shall be made, I feel assured that if Inspectors only knew the importance of, and the assistance given by, like reports, regardless of the gratification coming thereby to the Grand Master, they would at least favor him by devoting a few moments from their ordinary business in sending an account, however brief, of the condition of the Lodges under their inspection.

I appointed special deputies to constitute *Santa Ana* Lodge, No. 241, *Magnolia* Lodge, No. 242, and *Eucalyptus* Lodge, No. 243, to which charters were granted at the last Communication, and their officers were duly installed.

Dispensations for the formation of four new Lodges have been issued, the names of which and the places where located, with other information concerning them, will be found in the report of the Grand Secretary.

Recognizing the advantages arising from the consolidation rather than the multiplication of Lodges, whether for pecuniary or effective causes, and that a too rapid increase is hurtful, my disposition has been to deny, instead of granting the sought-for permission; and in many instances I have, by refusing encouragement, prevented action before any procedure beyond the initiatory measures. New Lodges ought to contribute to rather than draw from the Grand Lodge, giving in place of receiving, with sufficient numerical strength, ability, and means to maintain an independent, vigorous, and congratulatory existence, and to properly assist the needy and distressed. In the cases mentioned, either the distance from existing Lodges, the local population, the number of resident brethren, or the quantity of qualified material, were influences which occasioned favorable conclusions.

Proposed amendments to the by-laws of Lodges, concerning dues, fees, and times of meeting, have received my approval, the details of which are borne in the report of the Grand Secretary.

A proposed amendment to authorize the levying of an assessment of "three dollars upon each member, at any one time, and not more than six in any one year," "for any case of necessity or emergency," was disapproved, as the intent to accumulate funds could be reached by an increase of the present dues, the overplus of which could be set apart for emergencies.

Other proposed amendments relating to the disposition of funds and the execution of a bond by the Treasurer, were not approved, as the objects sought could be

arrived at by resolutions, and as I desired, as far as practicable, to preserve the uniformity of our established code. A departure, however, was made in a single instance, where a proposed amendment for the creation of a permanent Lodge Fund was approved. The desirableness of having founded Lodge funds will, I think, be admitted by all; and whenever a healthy financial condition is acquired by fees, the adoption of the aforesaid amendment will insure the accomplishment of the desire—hence the present presentation of the wording of the amendment to your notice:—

“One-half of all moneys received for degrees conferred by this Lodge shall, at the time of the receipt thereof by the Treasurer, be by him set apart for the purpose of instituting and maintaining a permanent Lodge Fund. The Treasurer may, from time to time, place at interest, or invest upon good and sufficient security, all or any part of the money constituting such permanent Lodge Fund, provided, that before any part of said fund shall be loaned or invested by the Treasurer, he shall, in each case, have the consent of two-thirds of the members present at a stated meeting. The interest received from the loans or investments of said fund shall go to the general fund, unless otherwise ordered by the Lodge. The Treasurer shall make semi-annual reports to the Lodge of the condition of the said fund.”

Authorizations to open the Grand Lodge for sundry special purposes have been given, as follows:—

December fifteenth, 1876, to the R. W. Bro. THEODORE G. COCKRILL, to dedicate the new Masonic Hall at Bloomfield; April twenty-sixth, 1877, to the W. Bro. JOHN C. KING, to lay the corner-stone of the Odd Fellows' Hall at Riverside; May twenty-sixth, 1877, to the W. Bro. ROBERT AITKEN, to lay the corner-stone of the Presbyterian church at Ione City; August fifteenth, 1877, to the M. W. Bro. WILLIAM C. BELCHER, to lay the corner-stone of the Methodist church at Colusa; August twentieth, 1877, to the W. Bro. WILLIAM B. DAVIS, to lay the corner-stone of the First Baptist church at Sacramento; and, within a few days, to the W. Bro. GEORGE W. CURTIS, to lay the corner-stone of a new Court House at Prescott, Arizona Territory.

On the twenty-seventh of last October I convened the Grand Lodge in Special Communication at Visalia, and, assisted by Visalia Lodge, No. 123, laid the corner-stone of the new Court House of Tulare County. Escort duty was performed by a Lodge of Odd Fellows, an oration was delivered by the W. Bro. ELIAS JACOB, a public dinner was given by the Board of Supervisors, and there was in attendance a large concourse of citizens of the county, who, by their presence and exhibition of appreciation, made the occasion one of peculiar interest.

I participated with the brethren of Nevada Lodge, No. 13, Madison Lodge, No. 23, and Illinoistown Lodge, No. 51, in celebrating the festival of Saint John at Storm's Ranch. June twenty-first, 1877. Apart from the social pleasures attending this mammoth pic-nic, the literary exercises were of an enjoyable nature, and conspicuous by the eloquence of the orator of the day, Bro. ALFRED B. DIBBLE.

On the twenty-sixth of June, 1877, I was present at the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of El Dorado Lodge, No. 26, and the festivity of Saint John, at Placerville. A public procession, composed of brethren from most of the Lodges in the vicinity, under Commandery escort, an oration by Bro. GEORGE G. BLANCHARD, an historical essay by Past Grand Master ISAAC S. TITUS, and subsequent social festivities, were the peculiar features which make the event fraught with happy recollections.

With other Grand Bodies our relations continue unchanged. For information concerning their relations and transactions you are referred to the comprehensive report of our Committee on Correspondence.

A correspondence was had with the Grand Master of Iowa regarding the refusal of our Pleasanton Lodge, No. 218, to bring to trial, on charges preferred by King Solomon Lodge, No. 210, Iowa, a dimitted member of the latter. Pleasanton Lodge

had returned the charges on the ground of a want of jurisdiction. After investigating the matter, I requested that the charges be again sent here, and ordered *Pleasanton* Lodge to proceed with the trial, which resulted in the expulsion of the accused.

A complaint was received from our *Georgetown* Lodge, No. 25, against *Oriental* Lodge, No. 13, in Maine, for an invasion of jurisdiction. The case was referred to the Grand Master of Maine, and, as a result, *Oriental* Lodge acknowledged the error, satisfactorily explained its occurrence, and made due apology.

I had the honor to receive an invitation from the Grand Master of Masons in the State of Massachusetts, to be present at the celebration of the Centennial Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the first of the American Grand Lodges to declare its independence. Official duties prevented the participation in the ceremonies of an occasion, so justly observed, the commemoration of which universally proclaimed an event pre-eminent in the history of American Freemasonry.

In conformity with the order of the Grand Lodge, I have caused credentials to be issued to Bro. F. F. ODDI, Grand Secretary, as its representative near the Grand Orient of Egypt, and to Bro. W. N. KENNEDY, Grand Master, as its representative near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. I have also caused credentials to be issued to Bro. FRANK S. DEVOL, Grand Master, as representative of our Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Indiana; to Bro. JOHN E. RYLAND, Past Deputy Grand Master, as our representative near the Grand Lodge of Missouri; to Bro. JOHN C. JONES, Senior Grand Warden, as our representative near the Grand Lodge of Mississippi; to Bro. THEODORE T. GURNEY, Past Master, as our representative near the Grand Lodge of Illinois; to Bro. JOHN S. SCOTT, Deputy Grand Master, as our representative near the Grand Lodge of Utah; and, to Bro. EDWARD MITCHELL, Grand Treasurer, as our representative near the Grand Lodge of Canada. I have recommended the appointment of Past Grand Master WILLIAM C. BELCHER to represent the Grand Lodge of Canada, and the appointment of Bro. WILLIAM H. HILL to represent the Grand Lodge of Utah, near this Grand Lodge.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of credentials as representative of the Grand Lodges of Indiana and Manitoba near this Grand Lodge, which will be presented by the Grand Secretary.

Resolutions presented by your Committees on Jurisprudence and on Grievances at the last Annual Communication, which, by their adoption, authorized certain action on my part, have occasioned the following results:—

I caused a transcript of the petition and accompanying documents in the case of our *Eureka* Lodge, No. 16, seeking reimbursement for expenses incurred for the relief of a member of *Silver Star* Lodge, No. 17, in Montana, to be prepared and transmitted to the Grand Master of Montana. The Grand Master investigated the matter, and found *Silver Star* Lodge to be entirely without funds. He further stated that he would bring the case before the Grand Lodge of Montana at its next Communication, and hoped that some means might be devised to settle the same in a satisfactory way.*

Excelsior Lodge, No. 106, in the city of San Francisco, was designated for the re-trial of Bro. AUGUSTO D. SPILVALO, who was suspended by the action of *Speranza Italiana* Lodge, No. 219. The second trial resulted in the acquittal of the brother.

I appointed the W. Bro. FREDERICK FAXON to investigate the condition of *George Washington* Lodge, No. 62. He appears to have instituted a thorough examination, as evinced by his report, with the following conclusion: "Although there are errors

*Since the close of the Communication a letter has been received from the Grand Master of Masons in Montana, transmitting a draft for \$599 20, for account of the above mentioned claim, and stating that, of that sum, \$200 had been raised by private subscription of the seventeen members of *Silver Star* Lodge, and that the balance, \$399 20, was paid by the Grand Lodge, being every dollar it had in its treasury. The Grand Secretary is most happy to thus place on record, at once, this most praiseworthy action of the Grand Lodge of Montana.

and irregularities to be found running through all the various books of the Lodge, yet I am of the opinion that there is not sufficient evidence of wilful neglect or mismanagement to warrant the recall of its charter." This report, together with that of the Inspector, and one from a committee of the Lodge, is herewith presented for your disposal.

Learning from the Inspector of the thirty-first district that *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, had failed to have an installation of its elected officers, that the Master elect had resigned and was about to leave the country, and that the Secretary elect had already left, I wrote to the brethren of *Maui* Lodge that such a condition demanded immediate relief, and that they must, without delay, resort to the remedy provided by the statute, and apply for a dispensation to hold a special election for officers to fill vacancies, else I should arrest their charter. I caused a dispensation to be forwarded to the Inspector (to obviate delay arising from the transmission of mails for such a distance), with directions to deliver the same to *Maui* Lodge in event of the proper application being made. A recent letter from the Inspector acknowledges the receipt of the transmitted papers, which were duly forwarded to their destination. He, however, has received no information regarding any action taken by the Lodge, and as I have heard nothing therefrom, I have to infer that my letter is unheeded, that no effort has been made to remove existing defects, and consequently I now submit the matter for your action, believing that an arrest of the charter should occur without delay.

Two Grand Lodges exist in Cuba—the Grand Lodge of Colon, subservient to the Supreme Council, and the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba, seceders from the former, although recognized by Pennsylvania and other jurisdictions. It is my duty to present herewith, for your disposition, a communication received from Bro. BENJAMIN ODIO, of New York, General Grand Representative, soliciting from you a recognition of the Grand Lodge of Colon for Cuba and the other Spanish West India Islands.

Special dispensations for the election of officers, rebalotting for candidates, and for other purposes permitted by our laws, have been issued, the detailed notice of which will appear in the report of the Grand Secretary.

To repeated applications for permission to hold public installations, I replied, that there is no law against a public installation, yet, in my opinion, the act would be contrary to the spirit of Masonry. In our workings we seek retirement, and refrain from obtruding our practice upon the public notice, nor leave our own quiet ways to please or win the favor of the multitude; and, saving the performance of a required ceremony, which must occur in public, there is no good reason for a departure from the original intention of the Fraternity. Again, as in this jurisdiction the Grand Lodge holds no public installation, it seems proper for subordinate Lodges to follow the example. Your attention is invited to the subject, that you may definitely determine the future action of Lodges in this particular.

A question of precedence arose between *Hawaiian* Lodge, No. 21, and a Chapter of Rose Croix, Scottish Rite, at Honolulu, which originated in the observance of the ceremonies at the obsequies of a deceased member, the Prince LELEIOHOKU, heir apparent, and brother of his majesty, King KALAKAU. I sustained the position assumed by the Master of *Hawaiian* Lodge, in the following terms:—A Lodge of Masons, as a Lodge, will only appear in a funeral procession when it shall conduct the ceremonies; it will not appear, even as an escort, when the funeral services are performed by other societies or appendant Orders. The Lodge conducting the ceremonies is entitled to the post of honor in the procession, at the left of the line, and nearest the body of the deceased; other Lodges in the same jurisdiction take position in the line in accordance with their Grand Lodge number; the Lodge may invite or permit other bodies to join in the procession as escort or otherwise, and will assign their position, which must invariably be in advance of the Lodge performing the service; after the Lodge has completed its services it cannot prevent services that may

be performed by other societies or appendant Orders, but it retires and does not participate therein.

Repeated inquiries have been made regarding the right or feasibility of Lodges to incorporate, in view of the purchase and holding of property, and as to the manner of election and power of trustees for the same purpose. I had only to reply that if trustees were elected merely to hold property about to be purchased, in trust, the act would be in accordance with the common practice; but if the trustees were elected in view of actual incorporation of the Lodge—i. e., articles of incorporation to be filed with the County Clerk and Secretary of State, in conformity with Sec. 290, Civil Code—then the action would be without precedent in this jurisdiction. To make valid the election of trustees it would be necessary for a majority of the members of the Lodge, duly convened for the purpose, to be present and vote for said trustees, which facts must be verified by the officers of the Lodge. (See Sec. 594, Civil Code.) That a Lodge can obtain a title to purchased property by the agency of trustees, though true that if it became necessary or desirable to sell the same, and the original trustees were succeeded by others, the purchasing party might not be satisfied with the title, which, however, could be made good by an enabling act of the legislature. That I knew of no law to prevent the incorporation of a Lodge, yet as the Civil Code recognizes certain rules, regulations, or discipline of an association incorporating, and as such rules, regulations, or discipline do not exist in our institution, I considered the act of incorporation inexpedient until the matter had been settled by the Grand Lodge. I submit for your consideration, if, by the act of incorporation, a Lodge may acquire a legal existence, in a degree, independent and beyond the control of the Grand Lodge, which would not terminate with an arrest or surrender of its charter, or if, by a recent special legislative act, passed for the benefit of Masonic and kindred organizations, incorporation can occur without weakening the allegiance to the Grand Lodge. To determine then the expediency of permitting Lodges to become bodies corporate and politic, and to define the manner of election, the duties, powers, and succession of trustees, are points which merit attention, and should evoke your deliberate disposition.

A Lodge in Missouri elected a candidate to receive the degrees, but, before taking the third, the brother removed to California. The Lodge in Missouri reported him as a Fellow Craft in good standing, and, in consequence of his removal from its jurisdiction, granted a dismissal, with permission to apply to another Lodge for the remaining degree. The brother petitioned a Lodge in this jurisdiction for the third degree, which had the usual course, but received an objection. His case was then referred to a committee, in accordance with Sec. 6, Art. III, Part III, of our Constitution, and my opinion was asked.

I replied that Sec. 6, Art. III, Part III, applies to Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts who have received their degrees in this jurisdiction. In the case cited, coming from another jurisdiction, with no request, but only a permission from the Lodge conferring the first and second degrees, the petitioner is subject to the same careful scrutiny that our laws provide in the application of a Master Mason for affiliation; consequently, the petition of the brother should be referred, reported on, and balloted for, as if he were a Master Mason applying for affiliation, or a candidate for the degrees.

I decided: That, because an Entered Apprentice is dropped from the report of his Lodge to the Grand Lodge, it does not follow that the Lodge relinquishes its claim to him. The statutes assert no specified time when an Entered Apprentice may be deprived of the privilege of seeking advancement. He can apply for the other degrees, and it will rest with his Lodge to determine if his conduct as an Entered Apprentice entitles him to advance:

That a brother duly summoned to appear for trial cannot "remain away and put in a plea of guilty through a brother;" in such absence the trial will proceed *ex parte*, and the finding of the Commissioners will be in accordance with the evidence

adduced. If the brother disobeys the summons, without good reason therefor, such disobedience is an offense and may constitute a charge for a subsequent trial :

That the act of preferring charges against a brother elected to office would not debar him from being installed, as he cannot thereby be deprived of any of his Masonic privileges, it being understood that a valid objection to the installation of an officer-elect is guaranteed by usage and the installation formula. The brother must be presumed to be innocent until proven guilty, therefore the pendency of charges does not disqualify for installation, as the trial can occur afterwards.

A case happened where a member of a Lodge was in prison awaiting trial on the charge of murder. I was asked if the Lodge should at once proceed to have charges preferred against the prisoner. I answered that there was no necessity for a Masonic trial until after a trial was had in a civil court, since, with a charge so grave, the former could not have the facilities in procuring witnesses as would pertain to the latter, and there was no occasion for an undue haste. If the civil court convicted, then the accused could be tried *ex parte*, represented, if desired, by his counsel, as conviction in a civil court does not lessen the necessity of a Masonic trial ; if acquitted, he could be brought before the Lodge for trial.

In respect to the question, " Would the Secretary of a Lodge be justified in refusing the dues of a suspended member, from persons who might be deemed having personal interests in collecting and paying the same, even without the knowledge or consent of the suspended member?" I answered : The Lodge has a right to expect that a brother in arrears will, in event of an inability to pay, either directly or indirectly set forth his condition, and seek remission or further time. Any failure to do so implies an indifference as to his position as a Master Mason in " good standing," and such inaction may well be regarded as culpable. The Lodge is always supposed to act charitably towards delinquents, and prevent suspension whenever the benefit of the doubt can be given. The reading of the law enforces the opinion that the restoration of a delinquent by the payment of arrearages and dues is by his action, sanction, or knowledge, yet it is a custom of long usage for said payment to be made by brethren, without either of the implied conditions. Collections and payments from brethren not members of the same Lodge with the delinquent are of frequent occurrence, and by their frequency have received almost the force of law ; when, however, these payments are made by parties who are influenced by personal interests, which may be regarded as in conflict with the good of the Lodge, I think the Secretary would be warranted in refusing the same, otherwise the precedents will authorize such payments until the Grand Lodge shall have declared that the interpretation of the law in all cases requires action, consent, or knowledge on the part of the suspended member.

This bears relation to my decision of last year, which was reversed by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and the reversal agreed to by you, in the case of a suspended brother dying before the payment of arrearages and dues was made, although the money was raised and sent before death, etc. Your committee considered that the essential and necessary requirements of the Constitution had been complied with, inasmuch as the requisite amount of money was remitted before death. My decision was based on the fact that the deceased brother was suspended, was so indifferent to his position as to seek no relief from his Lodge, was injured, and while dying, without any knowledge, consent, or action on his part, the money to reinstate him was hastily collected, and as hurriedly forwarded—why? That his Lodge should be compelled to pay the expenses incident to death, and to have the care of the family of the deceased. Now, the very root and kernel of the matter is apparently to be found in the question under consideration—i. e., does the law intend that the payment of dues and arrearages shall be the act, directly or indirectly, of the suspended member, or may it be performed without his knowledge or consent? If the latter, then any suspended Mason can instruct his family that, in event of an accident or illness, although he may be bereft of reason, nay, further,

even in *extremis*, all that is necessary for his reinstatement is to have the required amount of money remitted at any moment before death, and, as quickly, he is transformed and is entitled to any of the rights, privileges, or charities of his Lodge. Would this interpretation of the law be equitable for brethren who maintain their "good standing" by payment, or by soliciting the indulgence of the Lodge? I think not, and hence my excuse for bringing the subject in a new form to your notice; and, whether the argument be conclusive or the reverse, the question still remains. Will you decide it?

My opinion was asked by a Master as to the propriety of entertaining charges against a brother who had purchased goods from another brother, and subsequently, although in the possession of funds, left the country without paying for the articles bought.

I replied that if no fraud had been practised the charge should not be considered, the admissibility depending upon the fraudulent character of the transaction; that the non-payment of a debt incurred without fraudulent intent is not sufficient ground on which to base a charge of unamasonic conduct. Two cases have been brought to my notice this season where members of Lodges who had sold a bill of goods to other members, and failed to receive payment therefor, considered that the Lodges should assume the debts, since the goods were sold on credit to the purchasing parties because they had been in the Lodge together; which was regarded as an indorsement as to integrity, but being deceived, asked that the Lodges should make good to them their business mistakes. This error concerning Masonry is by no means entertained only by a few, singular though it may seem. By many the institution is regarded as a convenient means whereby the creditor can force payment from his debtor, awarding to it the character of a collector, and moreover a general insurance against the mistakes of trade. A Masonic court cannot take the place of, or conflict with, a civil court; it does not establish civil rights, and its highest penalty is expulsion; it is content to give judgment on matters relating to its own affairs and offenses against the laws of morality, but it does not recognize difficulties of a legal character arising from business transactions, nor does it entertain charges for the purpose of adjusting legal rights, unless such charges shall specify fraud. The Lodge is not the place to adjudicate accounts of commercial transactions, and charges partake too much of a criminal proceeding to be entertained in the settlement of business difficulties. A like matter ought never to be brought before the Lodge; it is not in order; the complaining party should be told that the court-room is the proper place to institute lawsuits—and so I advised the Masters.

This leads to the notice of another error committed by Masons, an error of prevalence, that of frequently giving and receiving the word or pledge of a Mason in an useless and an unnecessary manner and on occasions of little or no importance. The word of a Mason ought to be equal to his bond, and called forth only in matters of import; it should never be given without deliberation, and when given should be steadfastly kept, for a thoughtless pledge heedlessly broken is without reason, unfortunate and foolish, and deserves censure.

The habit too many have of ostentatiously giving a sign or a grip in mixed social associations, publicly boasting of being a Mason, doing all things "on the square," and wearing conspicuous emblems, when without the information necessary to give an intelligent interpretation of their meaning, should be discouraged in manner and terms indicative of displeasure, and a continued effort made for the correction of these unhappy faults which are calculated to bring reproach upon the Fraternity and lessen its influence for the accomplishment of good.

Why should a Mason make use of expressions interlarded with profanity that would not be tolerated in polite society? Can he believe that the use of profane language adds force to a declaration, makes it more convincing, or renders an argument more persuasive or logical? I think not, and if I think rightly may it not be asserted that this is a serious defect, an unwise and useless habit?

Masonic pledges are sometimes given in political matters, and, whether broken or not, should be equally frowned upon as subversive of propriety and displaying an ignorance of the purpose of Masonry. Living by a law unto itself, espousing no party, sect, nor creed, seeking no outward favors or patronage, independent of foreign power, and laboring for common good, Masonry was not created, nor is it kept up, for political or pecuniary purposes. The sooner brethren become aware that Masonry is incompatible with politics and business operations the better; the sooner they manifest their displeasure at this inharmonious mixture the better; the sooner they stop the reckless pledging of Masonic faith and "communicating on the square" the better; for until this be done we shall have this foolish yet hurtful inconsistency, and suffer within and without from its demoralizing tendency. These things, it seems to me, are not enough considered among us, and for their avoidance it is hardly necessary to legislate, as the best and most effectual remedy is to be found in the discouragement, displeasure, and reproof displayed by the brethren.

From *Magnolia* Lodge, No. 242, a communication was received concerning the feasibility of asking small contributions from Lodges in other jurisdictions, with intent to organize a relief fund in behalf of distressed brethren temporarily sojourning at Santa Barbara. From *Ferndale* Lodge, No. 193, a permission was asked for the procurement of aid from Lodges in other jurisdictions to remove existing pecuniary embarrassments. I unhesitatingly refused to grant the request in both instances. To the former I suggested the establishment of a Board of Relief, which would be entitled to receive its proportion of your yearly donation, and to the latter that a statement of the actual condition, causes, requirements, etc., should be submitted for your consideration. It may indeed be said, and not untruly, that in a certain sense the solicited permissions were warranted by precedents put forth in other jurisdictions, as too frequently your Lodges have been called upon for their contributions in the furtherance of various projects; yet I think I shall carry with me your concurrence in the expression that the Fraternity of each jurisdiction should not only regulate its own charities, but, unless extraordinary depressing circumstances exist, resulting from general calamities, should discountenance, or rather forbid, the solicitation of assistance from foreign sources.

In this connection it is pertinent to remark upon the injudicious course pursued by some Lodges in voluntarily incurring pecuniary embarrassment by the erection of Masonic halls on borrowed capital. Without funds, in a community scarce of population, with no good prospect of any future material advance in property, an unnecessary debt is entailed by the borrowing of money, the interest of which claims a large proportion of the moneys received, and thus paralyzes in a marked degree the very object of the organization—relief for the destitute or suffering. A like action may well be considered a poor business transaction, and yet several Lodges have this peculiarity and misfortune. Lodges ought to be always in a solvent condition, and ready to cancel all indebtedness if an immediate payment is demanded. It is idle to expect that a Lodge is exempt from the fate that awaits any association, of whatever character, that conducts its affairs with exhausted means, and is submerged in pecuniary embarrassment. To apply surplus funds for the purchase of a piece of ground in a locality where real estate is enhancing in value, with the ultimate purpose of building thereon when the state of the treasury will warrant, is strongly advocated; but to plunge recklessly in debt for the accomplishment of a purpose that can wait, is ill-advised, inopportune, injurious, and deserves your disapprobation.

The Grand Lodge of Missouri has resolved, "That no Lodge shall be permitted to contract debts, or to engage in enterprises for building halls, until sufficient available means shall have been secured to complete the same."

As frequent discussions have arisen from the adoption of reports, and a subsequent wish on the part of some to alter the same, I beg your indulgence for inserting my reply, which is simply a reiteration of parliamentary usage, but is here given for future guidance and to avoid useless and unharmonious debate.

To one of the many questions proposed, viz.: "After the reception and approval of our report, can the Lodge expunge any part thereof?" I answered, that after the reception and adoption of the report of a committee, it is not competent for the Lodge to expunge any part thereof, nor can the Lodge, by resolution, change the wording of the report. The reading of the report was its reception, and the proper action then was adoption, non-adoption, or recommitment. If the report was objectionable it could have been rejected at once on the question of its adoption; then new resolutions could be offered to meet the views of the majority, independently of the report, if it contained resolutions. Again, a motion for reconsideration must be made at the same meeting, before the Lodge is closed; subsequently, if it be deemed advisable to do away with a resolution adopted at a former meeting, the motion should be to rescind or repeal. When the minutes of a Lodge are approved, they must not be changed by erasure or interlineation. If an error exists, it can, at any future meeting, by a motion in explanation, be modified or corrected, the same to appear in the proceedings of said meeting.

The correspondence during the past year has been greater than is generally supposed. I have answered a large number of interrogatories in regard to real or supposed questions of law, which were unnecessarily made had the proposers referred to our Constitution, laws, rules, and regulations; and I awarded to each a courteous consideration, and gave such promptitude in reply as circumstances allowed. This opportunity is taken advantage of to earnestly call the attention of Masters of Lodges to the desirableness—I had better say, the necessity—of making themselves perfectly familiar with the Masonic law and usage of this jurisdiction. It would obviate a large amount of useless correspondence, and produce a satisfaction to themselves as yet inexperienced, and to the Grand Master a relief that would be duly appreciated. Once more your attention is directed to the expediency of authorizing the publication of a digest of Masonic law, or a code of regulations, decisions, and opinions upon questions of Masonic jurisprudence pertaining to this jurisdiction. Its necessity is evident, its utility is unquestioned, and its feasibility depends upon your will.

In my decisions, it has afforded me pleasure to decide the question as my correspondent evidently wished, whenever the law or its equitable interpretation permitted; but in a few instances I am aware that it was the reverse of that which was expected, and disappointment and annoyance—nay, even vexation—was manifested. This could only occasion regret on my part, for, while it is always agreeable to grant requests when not in conflict with duty, no consideration, personal or otherwise, could prevent an intended impartial decision or administration of the law, in itself or in its spirit. I have written letters prohibitive and letters admonitory, letters of advice and letters of command, and in the writing of each have endeavored to be guided by motives for the best interests of the Craft and in consonance with the important trusts committed to my keeping. In many instances difficulties have been settled, errors have been corrected, practical ability has succeeded lethargic numbness, strength and confidence have supplanted dangerous weakness, cordiality and kindness have followed coldness and bitterness, and self-regarding has been absorbed by the "brotherliness of the sweeter nature."

Information was received from without the State of the gross unmasonic conduct of a member of a Lodge and a non-affiliate, both residing within this jurisdiction. I investigated the matter, caused charges to be preferred, which resulted in the suspension of the former and the expulsion of the latter.

A difference of opinion concerning certain of the duties of the Grand Lecturer provoked a correspondence on the subject. The question raised was the result of a Master elect having received instructions from a brother, designated by the Grand Lecturer, in the inability of the latter to perform the duty, by reason of indisposition, and for which a compensation was paid. I expressed the opinion that it is

the duty of Inspectors to fit Masters and Wardens for their respective offices, and that they should be applied to, especially in the absence or illness of the Grand Lecturer. In a resolution on page 116, proceedings of 1875, the Grand Lecturer is to qualify the Inspectors, instruct the many Masters elect, etc. If the words "instructing the many Masters elect" comprehend the teaching of the ritual word for word, then the Grand Lecturer is to teach verbally the ritual, in its every detail, to every Master elect who may apply to him. Practically, he has been accustomed to instruct a certain number, the majority being taught by the Inspectors, whom I regard as teachers. It is hardly to be expected that the Grand Lecturer, in addition to the qualification of the Inspectors, accompanying the Grand Master on his official visitations, and teaching these Masters elect in proximity, should be regarded as obliged to afford instruction in minuteness to every Master elect who may apply, in consideration of the availability of Inspectors and of the small salary of the Grand Lecturer. My interpretation of the resolution (perhaps too liberal) has been that the Grand Lecturer is to give to the Masters elect general instruction in the manner of doing the work, correcting errors, etc., in order that they be able to confer the degrees creditably.

The system of inspection is now working so admirably, the Inspectors are so well instructed in the ritual, and the yearly number of Masters elect so large, that, to avoid future difference of opinion, and especially to promote harmony and afford the greatest good to the greatest number, the Grand Lecturer has informed me that in his report of the current year he shall recommend the abolishment of the salary of his office, thus making the position one of honor—the custodian of the work—and without emolument. I fully concur in the recommendation, confident that the salary of the Grand Lecturer ought to be adequate to enable him to devote his entire attention to the office, or else let it be abolished and make the position one of honor, with not even a source of profit. Should your consideration of the subject be followed by an indorsement of the recommendation, I have to suggest that whenever the Grand Lecturer shall accompany the Grand Master officially, or by virtue of his office make visits of instruction, the actual expenses incident to the aforesaid duties shall be borne in an account presented at each Annual Communication, and referred to the Committee on Finances for settlement.

The Grand Secretary has received, and will present, a communication from the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Peru, detailing the loss of life, destruction of the Lodge-room, and the destitution and misery at Tocopella, resulting from the recent earthquake and tidal wave. That Grand Lodge voted all its funds (\$1,000) to help the distressed, and then supplicated, "in the name of suffering humanity, to our brethren of California." This touching entreaty has received no substantial answer. I had no power to donate any portion of your funds; and, to communicate, by a circular letter, with your Lodges, and receive their responses, would have consumed the period from the receipt of the petition until the present. I therefore directed the Grand Secretary to communicate these facts to the Grand Master of Peru, and I now submit the matter for your consideration. No event in my official term has occasioned so much regret to me as the consciousness of my powerless condition to afford that prompt and efficient relief called for in vain by our stricken and imploring brethren, for the "sweetness of human sympathy" is intensified when actual giving attests the genuineness of impulsive sentiment. "If there be a pleasure on earth which angels cannot enjoy, and which they might almost envy man the possession of, it is the power of relieving distress."

You will remember that, in my last message, I asserted that the time has arrived when this Grand Lodge ought to have a Widows' and Orphans' Fund, and I then set forth views, still cherished, in furtherance of the project, which I do not propose now to repeat. You, while commending the proposition, deemed its realization inexpedient; but in view of the urgency of a future request for assistance similar to

the one received from Peru, is it not expedient to establish a Relief or Charity Fund, from which the Grand Master, under limitations, may be empowered to draw whenever the object brought to his notice is of sufficient moment to warrant the act? From our resources, can we not devote a small sum, at least, for the establishment of such a fund? Hear what the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, in Arkansas, says of our Grand Lodge: "We are surprised at its thrift, wonder at its extravagance, and admire its charity." In Wisconsin, the Grand Lodge adopted the following: "Ordered, That in case of any calamity happening to any community or communities, by pestilence, fire, or from any other cause, the M. W. Grand Master is hereby authorized to donate from the funds of the Grand Lodge such sum or sums as he may deem adequate for the relief of distressed brethren in such community. *Provided*, that he shall not donate to exceed one thousand dollars in any one year. He is hereby authorized to draw his warrant upon the Treasurer for amounts donated." Of which a reviewer writes: "There may come a time when this action shall rise up and bless its authors." I have frankly stated our condition; it is for you to determine if it may not be improved by legislation.

Each of the Masonic Boards of Relief will afford you a statement of its operations and present financial condition. You will consider well their requirements for the coming year, and, with your accustomed liberality, will doubtless donate proportionately. I do not intend, therefore, to advance a plea for that which is generally known and clearly understood, but will merely remind you that these Boards are to the community the illustrators of Masonic charity, and that to-day before men Masonry is judged by actions, and not by professions—by the real, and not by the ideal—by results, and not by projects. A writer, celebrated for his sententious style, quaintly said: "The great HOWARD was so fully engaged in works of active benevolence that, unlike BAXTER, whose knees were calcined by prayer, he left himself but little time to pray. Thousands were praying for him."

I convened the Grand Lodge in Special Communication, December seventeenth, 1876, for the performance of the obsequies of the V. W. Bro. JAMES LAIDLEY, late Grand Treasurer, who died on the morning of December tenth. An account of the solemn services incident to the occasion, together with the customary mourning page, is appended to the Grand Lodge Proceedings of last year, and a committee named therein was appointed to prepare and present, at this Communication, such report as shall seem meet concerning our deceased brother. In consequence of the vacancy made by the death of Bro. LAIDLEY, I appointed the W. Bro. MOSES HELLER Grand Treasurer *pro tem.*, a selection which I trust will receive your approbation.

Since our last meeting, death has caused many of our sister jurisdictions to mourn for the loss of brave, faithful, and true officers, who, with manly force, had greatly done great duties, and were fortunate in the fruition of their noble efforts—notably Virginia and Missouri.

Virginia mourns for JOHN DOVE, "our venerable and venerated brother, the oldest Grand Secretary in the world." He reached the age of eighty-four years, was a Mason for sixty-three years, and gave a large portion of his life in active service as Secretary of the Grand Bodies. Earnest, steadfast, sincere, and untiring, his character dignified and ennobled by solid virtues, with a mind well versed in Masonic law and usage, with no views of impracticable and impossible conditions, but always in pursuit of the practical, he was devoted to duty and to the honor and welfare of Masonry.

Missouri mourns for the irreparable loss of her late Grand Secretary, GEORGE FRANK GOUTLEY, our late Grand Representative, whose sudden and tragic death occurred at the burning of the Southern Hotel, in St. Louis. The name of Bro. GOUTLEY is inseparably associated with the Masonic literature of recent years, by his efforts and contributions as editor, writer of correspondence reports, and Grand Secretary. From the many eulogistic descriptions of his moral and social character, he apparently possessed the aptly-termed "magnetism of personality," charac-

terized by cordiality of manners and kindness of heart, a noble, generous nature, to have won so effectually the faith of friends and the respect and admiration of opponents. His intellectual conscientiousness, his ready sympathy for the wronged, and his hostility to whatever he considered to be an invasion of rights, made him an enthusiastic partisan, and as such he was an unyielding champion of the espoused cause; in defeat, he was undismayed; in victory, generous and considerate. He believed in Masonry, and this belief kindled his enthusiasm and filled his heart with the kind of devotion which, many assert, can result only from a strictly religious faith. He died in the vigor of manhood, with intellect unimpaired, and the lustre of genius undimmed. Our honored brothers have passed away, but their lives have been fruitful in example, their words are lastingly recorded, and their works will survive—the truest criterion of their virtues. May these successive monitions impress upon us more forcibly the realization of our own mortality, and that—

“There is nothing certain in life but death;
Leaves have their time to fall,
And flowers to wither at the north wind's breath,
And stars to set; but all—
Thou hast all seasons for thine own, O, Death!”

Brethren, here ends the notice of the principal of my official acts during the past year, and I now surrender unto you the authority with which, by your kind confidence, I have been twice invested. In my administration, I have given best endeavors in the interests of the Grand Lodge, and I have sought to maintain its dignity and honor, and to advance the reputation and prosperity of the Fraternity throughout the State. In the discharge of duty I have had no hesitation to exercise the highest prerogatives of my office, whenever the occasion demanded a prompt and emphatic action. If errors have been committed, they have been those of judgment and not of purpose; and if, in any official act, the peculiar views or desires of some have not been, to them, sufficiently respected, it was from no intention of indifference or discourtesy, for I have not wittingly, willingly, or willfully injured the feelings or ignored the opinions of any brother with whom I have had direct or indirect associations, but have tried to serve so faithfully as to administer impartially the law and spirit of Masonry. In my efforts as your executive I have uniformly and cordially been seconded in the assistance and support of the Grand Officers with whom I have counseled, and especially do I recognize the co-operation ever manifested by the Grand Secretary. In my intercourse with this officer I have invariably received his respectful and cheerful compliance with my requests, and in no way has he attempted to arrogate to himself any of the duties pertaining to my office, and in no instance has the harmony of our relations been marred. I have availed myself of his knowledge of, and ripe experience in, Masonic law and usage, greatly to my satisfaction and to the advantage of the Grand Lodge; and for the zeal, energy, and ability displayed in the execution of his duties, he merits my acceptable recognition and receives my considerate commendation.

In retiring from the powers and duties of my exalted position, I desire to express once more an acknowledgment for the courtesy, respect, and consideration bestowed upon me in my official and social relations with the brethren in almost every portion of this large jurisdiction. These associations carry no regret, save in their non-renewal, but are charged with those pleasing memories, the fragrance of whose recollections will come to me constantly and happily, throughout the remainder of life, as came the ripened excellence of odor from the nobleman's wine to the delighted senses of its thankful recipients.

Brethren, I am not unmindful of the distinguished honors you have conferred upon me, having occupied almost every elective office in the Grand Lodge, nor can I forget the unanimity attending the disposal of these elective favors; and no language of mine can adequately express a declaration of your kindnesses, which a

grateful memory will ever cherish. If my labors in your behalf—not all I would, but all I could bestow, apart from professional pursuits—shall receive your approbation, I am amply rewarded.

“Like as the waves make to the pebbled shore, so do our minutes hasten to the end,” and when time shall cause the resumption of my original position among you, remembering that “deeds are the pulse of time,” it will be my duty, it will be my pleasure, animated by loyalty and truth, with the harshness of experience softened by passing years, to make efforts after greater, higher, and better results in the future, for the honor, prosperity, and grandeur of the moral foundation of the Grand Lodge of California.

JOHN MILLS BROWNE,
Grand Master.

The address was ordered to be referred to a special committee of five, and the Deputy Grand Master named the following brethren to constitute such committee—

<i>On the Address of the Grand Master : . .</i>	{	Bro. Thomas Hubbard Caswell,
		“ George Heirn Gilbert,
		“ John Caleb King,
		“ Isaac Sherwood Halsey,
		“ Green Grove Dudley.

The Grand Secretary presented his Annual Report to the Grand Lodge, as follows :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

The twenty-second annual report of the undersigned is herewith submitted, presenting, as is directed by our laws, all such transactions of his office since the last Annual Communication as may require action by the Grand Lodge, or may, in any wise, be of interest to its officers and members.

At the earliest day possible after the close of the last Communication, the usual number of copies of the proceedings thereof—eighteen hundred and fifty—were printed and distributed, or reserved for future binding, in the customary manner, viz. : one copy to each of the present Grand Officers ; one copy to each of the elective Past Grand Officers ; two copies to each of the Grand Bodies, American and foreign, with which we are in correspondence ; four copies to each of the Lodges of our jurisdiction ; and six hundred copies reserved for binding, to form Vol. XII of our bound proceedings. It is proper to say that the copies for our Lodges were sent only after receipt of their respective certificates of elections of officers, as those certificates only could give information as to whom the proceedings should be addressed. Thus some of the Lodges, which had been dilatory in this respect, did not receive their copies until sometime after their publication.

Since the last report of the undersigned, by direction of the Grand Master, commissions to representatives of this Grand Lodge near other Grand Lodges and Grand Orients have been issued from this office, as follows :—

To the M. W. W. N. KENNEDY, Grand Master, near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, dated on the thirteenth day of April, 1877 :

To the M. W. FRANK S. DEVELL, Grand Master, near the Grand Lodge of Indiana, dated on the twenty-sixth day of April, 1877 :

To the R. W. F. F. ODDI, Grand Secretary General, near the Grand Orient of Egypt, dated on the twenty-sixth day of April, 1877 :

To the R. W. JOHN S. JONES, Senior Grand Warden, near the Grand Lodge of Mississippi, dated on the fifth day of June, 1877, to fill a vacancy caused by the cessation of membership of the M. W. W. H. HARDY, Past Grand Master :

To the R. W. THEODORE T. GURNEY, Past Grand Orator, near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, dated on the fifth day of June, 1877, to fill a vacancy caused by the removal of the M. W. HARMON T. REYNOLDS from that jurisdiction :

To the R. W. JOHN E. RYLAND, Past Deputy Grand Master, near the Grand Lodge of Missouri, dated on the fifth day of June, 1877, to fill a vacancy caused by the death of the late R. W. GEORGE FRANK GOULEY :

To the R. W. JOHN SHAW SCOTT, Deputy Grand Master, near the Grand Lodge of Utah, dated on the twentieth day of August, 1877 :

And to the R. W. EDWARD MITCHELL, Grand Treasurer, near the Grand Lodge of Canada, dated on the thirteenth day of September, 1877.

Since the last report from this office, appointments from other Grand Bodies, of representatives therefrom near the Grand Lodge of California, have been made as follows :—

On the twenty-eighth day of February, 1877, our M. W. Bro. JOHN MILLS BROWNE, Grand Master, was appointed by the Grand Master of Masons in Indiana as the representative of the Grand Lodge of that State :

On the ninth day of May, 1877, the same M. W. brother was appointed by the Grand Master of Masons in Manitoba as the representative of the Grand Lodge of that Province :

On the fifth day of June, 1877, our M. W. Bro. LEONIDAS E. PRATT, Past Grand Master, was appointed by the Grand Master of Masons in Egypt as the representative of the Grand Orient of that Principality :

On the twenty-sixth day of July, 1877, our M. W. Bro. WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER, Past Grand Master, was appointed by the Grand Master of Masons in the Argentine Republic as the representative of the Grand Orient of that Republic :

On the fourteenth day of August, 1877, our R. W. Bro. WILLIAM HENRY HILL, Past Grand Chaplain, was appointed by the Grand Master of Masons in Utah as the representative of the Grand Lodge of that Territory :

And on the twenty-seventh day of September, 1877, our M. W. Bro. WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER, Past Grand Master, was appointed by the Grand Master of Masons in Canada as the representative of the Grand Lodge of that Province.

The commissions for all the foregoing have been received, and will in due season be presented to the Grand Lodge. It is necessary to add that, so far as is known to the undersigned, no commission, in accordance with the recommendation of our Grand Master last year, has yet been received by the W. ARPAD HARASZTHY as representative of the Grand Orient of Hungary, although the subject has twice, during the year, been called to the attention of that Grand Orient.

Some forty or fifty bound volumes have been added to our library, being principally proceedings and bulletins of other Grand Lodges and Grand Orients ; but it has not been deemed expedient yet to incur the expense of the publication of a new catalogue. More book-cases, however, ought to be procured, as there is no longer room upon our shelves for the books which we already have.

The three Lodges, to which charters were granted at the last Annual Communication, were all constituted in proper time and had their officers installed by deputies specially appointed for that purpose by the Grand Master, as follows :—

Santa Ana, No. 211, at Santa Ana, ... by Bro. THEODORE REISER, Past Master ;
Magnolia, “ 242, “ Santa Barbara . . . “ Bro. EUGENE FAWCETT, Past Master ;
Eucalyptus, “ 243, “ Hayward’s “ Bro. ELIPHALET M. SMITH, Past Master.

The letters of authorization to the officers above named, with their several reports, are herewith submitted.

Since the close of the last Annual Communication, dispensations for the formation of four new Lodges have, by direction of the Grand Master, been issued from this office, as follows :—

October 25, 1876,..... to *Alcatraz Lodge*, at Oakland, Alameda County;
 February 28, 1877,..... " *Laurel Lodge*, at Willows, Colusa County;
 March 22, 1877,..... " *Pomona Lodge*, at Pomona, Los Angeles County;
 April 12, 1877,..... " *Fresno Lodge*, at Fresno, Fresno County.

The petitions for the foregoing dispensations, with the certificates of withdrawal of the several petitioners from the Lodges of which they had last been members, the recommendations of the proper chartered Lodges, and the certificates regarding the qualifications of the Masters and Wardens proposed, which are required by our laws, were all correctly prepared and presented, and they are herewith submitted, together with the returned dispensations, the books of record, and the petitions of the new Lodges to be perpetuated by charters, except in the case of *Fresno Lodge*, which desires a continuance of its dispensation.

There are now in existence, within this jurisdiction, one hundred and ninety-nine chartered Lodges, which, with the four under dispensation, make a total number of two hundred and three.

Of the proposed amendments to the by-laws of Lodges which have been received during the year, the approval of the Grand Master, in the cases of twenty-seven, have been filed in this office, and, by his direction, information thereof has been transmitted to the several Lodges sending them, their action having appeared to be in consonance with the law. Of these, four, being from Lodges Nos. 33, 215, 211, and 215, propose changes in the times of meetings; six, being from Lodges Nos. 37, 96, 118, 206, 218, and 237, propose to reduce the monthly dues; four, being from Lodges Nos. 57, 123, 193, and 219, propose to increase those dues; four, being from Lodges Nos. 18, 45, 86 and 134, propose reducing the fees for degrees; five, being from Lodges Nos. 95, 131, 179, 182, and 230, propose to abolish the fee for affiliation; one, being from Lodge No. 58, proposes to establish a fee for the same; one, being from Lodge No. 120, proposes additional dues for non-attendance at funerals; and one, being from Lodge No. 35, proposes establishing a "permanent fund."

Several proposed amendments were submitted by Lodge No. 163, some of which were, and some were not, approved, for reasons which will be found indorsed thereupon. A proposed amendment from Lodge No. 8, concerning the watching with sick and deceased members, was disapproved by the Grand Master, for the reason that a simple resolution for that purpose would be sufficient; and another from Lodge No. 104, to authorize assessments, was disapproved, for the reason that the object sought could be readily attained by an increase of dues. In accordance with the law, the foregoing proposed amendments are submitted to the Grand Lodge for final action, as are also the books of by-laws of three of the four Lodges now acting under dispensation, the book of *Fresno Lodge* not having been received.

The undersigned has received the following papers from without our jurisdiction, all which have been transmitted to the chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence for examination and report, viz:—

1st. A communication from the Grand Orient of Egypt, dated at Alexandria on the eighteenth day of November, 1876, relative to certain action of the Grand Orient of France, by which that body, as it is averred, has "obliterated from its Constitution the declaration of a belief in God and the immortality of the soul:—"

2d. A communication from the "Honorary Secretary of the Masonic Union," dated at Sydney, New South Wales, on the seventeenth day of July, 1877, stating that it is the opinion of said Union "that a Grand Masonic Lodge of New South Wales is needed," and requesting this Grand Lodge "to furnish such legal or constitutional information as is necessary to establish the same, together with such other assistance as will enable such body hereafter to obtain recognition by all Grand Lodges:—"

3d. A communication from Dr. RAMON ILLA, the representative at large, as he states, of the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba," dated at New York on the third day of August, 1877, announcing the formation of a Grand Lodge of that name at

Havana, on the first day of August, 1866, enclosing five printed pamphlets relative thereto, and requesting the recognition of that body by this Grand Lodge:

4th. A communication from the Grand Lodge of New Mexico, dated on the twentieth day of September, 1877, announcing its formation, inclosing a copy of the proceedings at its organization, and requesting recognition by this Grand Lodge.

On the last day of the last Annual Communication, the Committee on Jurisprudence announced that lack of time would prevent any further reports therefrom, and that a considerable amount of business referred thereto must necessarily go over for the consideration of its successor in the following year. Among that unfinished business may be named the following matters contained in the Grand Master's Address of that year:—

1st. As to whether an Inspector should give a certificate of qualification to a Master elect who, although qualified to give the work and lectures, was likely to have his installation objected to in consequence of habitual intoxication:

2d. As to whether a brother, elected a Commissioner to try another brother for unmasonic conduct, could act as such and also be a witness in the case:

3d. As to whether, when charges are preferred against a brother, and certain of the specifications assert abusive and slanderous language towards the Master of the Lodge, he, the Master, can direct the Senior Warden to preside at the trial, and take, himself, the part of prosecutor:

4th. As to whether, after a Commission has been elected, charges can be amended by adding further specifications thereto:

5th. As to whether, in case of the proposed formation of a new Lodge, brethren holding dimits several years old must apply to some Lodge and pay six months' dues before signing a petition for a dispensation:

6th. As to whether, when a number of years had elapsed since the payment of any dues by a brother suspended for non-payment thereof, there should not be a limit to the time when payment must be made to acquire restoration:

7th. As to whether or not a withdrawal should take effect from the time when the Lodge voted to grant it, although the certificate of such withdrawal may not have been issued until afterward, or not at all:

8th. As to whether or not a Lodge, conferring the remaining degrees or degree upon an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft, who has had permission from the Lodge wherein he received his first, or first and second degrees, to apply to another Lodge, should be entitled to receive the fees for the work done:

9th. As to whether, when a non-affiliate has at different times offered to pay to the Lodge within the jurisdiction of which he resides, the amount of contributions necessary, under our laws, to preserve his good standing, and such offers have been refused, he should be held liable for anything further back than the date of his last proffer:

10th. As to whether a member of a committee of investigation upon the qualifications of a candidate for degrees or membership can delegate another brother, not of the committee, to report for him:

11th. As to whether a humpbacked person, having no other physical disability, should be deemed eligible for initiation.

These propositions, with the decisions of the Grand Master thereupon, will be found at pages 349, 350, and 351, proceedings of 1876, together with some other matters in the Address of the Grand Master, at an earlier and a later page, which doubtless were intended to be included in the reference to the Committee on Jurisprudence, found at page 485, proceedings of that year.

In addition to the foregoing, the following references to that committee "went over," as unfinished business, at the last Communication:—

1st. A proposed amendment to the Constitution, to the effect that the election of

Grand Officers shall occur on the *third* day of each Annual Communication, instead of the *fourth* day thereof, as at present. (See page 503, proceedings of 1876.)

2d. Sundry communications theretofore received from the Grand Orient of the Argentine Republic, which, by the committee, were passed over for consideration this year, with the hope that some further information might be received from that Grand Orient. (See page 494, proceedings of 1876.)

3d. A resolution desiring an expression of opinion as to the positions which should be assigned to other societies when they desire to participate, as such, in funerals conducted by Masonic Lodges. (See page 508, proceedings of 1876.)

Since the last Annual Communication, twelve special dispensations have been issued from this office by direction of the Grand Master. Of these, six were to permit reballots upon the petitions of rejected applicants for the degrees, within the period of prohibition prescribed by the general provisions of our law, sufficient reasons having been presented therefor; five were to authorize the elections of officers at times other than the regular one provided in our Constitution, the necessity for such election having been made apparent; and one was to permit a ballot upon the petition of a person belonging to the navy of the United States, who had not resided one year within our jurisdiction. The action of the several Lodges presenting the petitions for the foregoing appears to have been in accordance with the provisions of our laws, and the petitions, together with such correspondence as relates to them, are herewith submitted.

The transcripts of trial-records which have been received at this office since the last annual report, in cases where notices of appeal have been filed with the Masters of Lodges, are as follows—all which have been placed in the hands of the chairman of the Committee on Grievances, viz.: from

<i>Crescent</i> , ...	No. 45, . . . Samuel Hargreaves, ...	suspended, . . .	Feb. 26, 1877;
<i>Santa Rosa</i> ,	" 57, . . . Woodman W. Royal, ...	expelled, ...	June 4, 1877;
<i>Quitman</i> ,	" 88, . . . Michael Quinn, ...	acquitted, . . .	May 19, 1877.

The transcripts of similar records, unaccompanied by notices of appeal, which have been received during the same period, have also been transmitted to the chairman of the Committee on Grievances for examination, and are as follows:—from

<i>Nevada</i> ,	No. 13, . . . Thomas Miller Barr, ...	suspended, . . .	Jan. 10, 1877;
<i>Suisun</i> ,	" 55, . . . James McNulty, ...	suspended, . . .	Dec. 30, 1876;
<i>Natoma</i> ,	" 64, . . . Thompson G. Saulsbury, . . .	suspended, . . .	Sept. 20, 1877;
<i>Humboldt</i> ,	" 79, . . . Peter Belcher, ...	suspended, . . .	Jan. 4, 1877;
<i>Concord</i> ,	" 117, . . . John Henry Parnell, ...	expelled, ...	Jan. 6, 1877;
<i>Woodland</i> ,	" 156, . . . James Forsyth Mackie, . . .	expelled, ...	Feb. 23, 1877;
<i>Claiborne</i> ,	" 185, . . . Julius Verton Minor, ...	expelled, ...	Aug. 18, 1877;
<i>Oakland</i> ,	" 188, . . . George Miller Pinney, . . .	expelled, ...	May 5, 1877;
<i>Buckeye</i> ,	" 195, . . . James Harvey Lee, ...	expelled, ...	June 30, 1877;
<i>San Buen'a</i> ,	" 214, . . . Edward A. Bedell, ...	suspended, . . .	May 26, 1877;
<i>Pentalpha</i> ,	" 202, . . . Thomas E. Gray, (N. A.) . . .	suspended, . . .	May 21, 1877;
<i>Pentalpha</i> ,	" 202, . . . William Cape, ...	expelled, ...	Aug. 20, 1877;
<i>Pleasanton</i> ,	" 218, . . . L. H. Cutler, (N. A.)	expelled, ...	April 28, 1877;
<i>Athens</i> ,	" 228, . . . Henry Clay Hunt, ...	expelled, ...	Feb. 24, 1877;
<i>North Butte</i> ,	" 230, . . . George Alexander Keith, . .	expelled, ...	June 30, 1877;
<i>Santa Ana</i> ,	" 241, . . . Jasper N. Burtnett, ...	suspended, . . .	Mar. 23, 1877.

There have also been received, and transmitted to the chairman of the Committee on Grievances, the following papers:—

1st. A petition for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry, from CHARLES HOWARD GORDON, who was expelled by Woodbridge Lodge, No. 131, on the sixteenth day of January, 1875, and whose appeal was dismissed by the Grand Lodge in October, 1876, because it had not been perfected within the time prescribed by law; with certain resolutions of that Lodge remonstrating against his restoration,

and a communication from the Master thereof to the same effect, giving a history of the case :

2d. A petition for restoration, as above, from MARTIN VAN BUREN CLEVELAND, who was expelled by *Abell* Lodge, No. 146, on the twenty-ninth day of November, 1873, and whose expulsion was affirmed by the Grand Lodge in October, 1874 ; with a resolution from that Lodge expressing its opposition to such restoration :

3d. A petition for restoration, as above, from FRANCIS MARION JOLLY, who was expelled by *Salinas* Lodge, No. 204, on the twentieth day of February, 1875, and whose expulsion was affirmed by the Grand Lodge in October, 1875 ; with a resolution from that Lodge unanimously recommending that his petition for restoration be granted :

4th. A communication from Mrs. HELEN F. PHELPS, the daughter of a Master Mason, complaining of the action of the Master and sundry members of *Woodbridge* Lodge, No. 131, relative to certain moneys belonging to her deceased father ; with an accompanying letter upon the subject from CHARLES H. GORDON.

There does not appear to have been any unfinished business left in the hands of the Committee on Grievances last year, but there were several matters in regard to which that committee recommended action, the results of which are reported as follows :—

1st. The action of the acting Master of *Valley* Lodge, No. 135, in dismissing a commission elected to try Bro. NATHANIEL SIGGON HARROLD, having been disapproved, that Lodge was “directed to proceed to a proper trial of the accused on the charge preferred against him.” Information has been received from the Master of *Valley* Lodge that, in accordance with that direction, a proper trial has been had, and that Bro. HARROLD has been acquitted. That business, therefore, appears to be concluded:

2d. The case of ZEALOUS BATES, who was expelled by *Granite* Lodge, No. 222, on the sixteenth day of August, 1875, was, at the last Annual Communication, remanded to that Lodge for further proceedings. Information has been received therefrom that at a stated meeting thereof held on the twenty-third day of April, 1877, the accuser in the case “declined to amend the original charges or to prefer new ones, and said that he had no further cause of complaint nor any additional testimony.” The accuser and the accused were both present, and no further action appearing to be necessary, the Lodge unanimously voted to dismiss the charges in the case remanded. So that affair seems to be settled :

3d. *Bodega* Lodge, No. 213, was ordered, at the last Annual Communication, to prepare and transmit to the undersigned “a full and correct transcript of the trial and proceedings in the case of MICHAEL KIERNAN,” who had been expelled by that Lodge on the thirteenth day of September, 1873. The Master of that Lodge has transmitted what he states to be as complete a transcript as the records of the Lodge enable him to furnish ; and, as he gives information that the expelled brother is long since dead, it is to be presumed that no further inquisition as to that case will be deemed necessary :

4th. At the last Annual Communication the action of *Speranza Italiana* Lodge, No. 217, in expelling AUGUSTO DANIELE SPLIVALO, on the first day of April, 1876, was reversed and set aside, and the Grand Master was requested to designate some other Lodge in the city of San Francisco for the re-trial of the case. *Excelsior* Lodge, No. 166, was designated for that purpose, and on the eighth day of February last such re-trial was had in that Lodge, resulting in the acquittal of Bro. SPLIVALO ; which appears to be a conclusion of that case.

A communication has been received from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, dated at St. John on the seventh day of July, 1877, giving information in regard to the great fire in that city on the twentieth day of June preceding, and the consequent necessities and distress of a large number of the brethren

there who had been left homeless and destitute, and suggesting that assistance from our jurisdiction would be gladly received.

A communication was also received in July last from the Grand Master of Masons in Peru, dated at Lima on the twenty-seventh day of May, 1877, giving information relative to the fearful earthquake and tidal wave which had destroyed several towns upon the coast of that Republic, of the great loss of life and destitution of the survivors, and appealing to this Grand Lodge for assistance.

Unhappily, no officer of the Grand Lodge was authorized to draw any money from its treasury for either of the foregoing cases, and they have therefore necessarily been laid over until they could be presented at this Communication. It is suggested that it would be well to give the Grand Master authority to act in cases such as these, as aid, when given promptly, is doubly, trebly efficient.

A communication has been received from Past Master CHARLES J. PADDOCK, dated at Santa Barbara on the sixth day of September, 1877, giving information that a Board of Relief had been formed by the two Lodges in that town, inclosing a copy of their compact therefor, and asking for a proportion of such sum as might this year be appropriated by the Grand Lodge for the purposes of relief.

Referring to the report of the Committee on Finances at the last Annual Communication, relative to certain discounts on silver received for dues last year which were charged to sundry Lodges, to be found at page 515, proceedings of 1876, the undersigned presents the following detailed statement thereof, showing the Lodges from which silver was received, the amount thereof, the amount of discount charged at the then rate of six per cent., the amount of silver sold, and the rate ($7\frac{1}{2}$ per ct.) at which it was sold:—

On \$53 25, <i>Benicia</i> ,	No. 5, \$3 20	Amount brought forward...\$104 70	
" 118 00, <i>Tuo'umne</i> ,	" 8, 7 00	On \$60 25, <i>Vitruvius</i> ,	No. 145, 3 00
" 50 25, <i>Temple</i> ,	" 14, 3 00	" 76 25, <i>Atell</i> ,	" 146, 4 50
" 30 50, <i>Eureka</i> ,	" 16, 1 80	" 68 25, <i>Alameda</i> ,	" 167, 4 25
" 38 50, <i>Georgetown</i> ,	" 25, 2 40	" 63 00, <i>Antioch</i> ,	" 175, 4 10
" 97 25, <i>El Dorado</i> ,	" 26, 5 75	" 69 00, <i>Russian River</i> ,	" 181, 4 50
" 23 75, <i>Columbia</i> ,	" 28, 1 40	" 90 50, <i>Keith</i> ,	" 187, 5 40
" 146 00, <i>Sacramento</i> ,	" 40, 8 75	" 35 50, <i>Mountain View</i> ,	" 194, 2 10
" 18 50, <i>Hiram</i> ,	" 43, 1 10	" 45 25, <i>Buckeye</i> ,	" 195, 2 60
" 99 25, <i>Suisun</i> ,	" 55, 6 00	" 35 50, <i>Rio Vista</i> ,	" 203, 2 00
" 168 75, <i>Santa Rosa</i> ,	" 57, 10 20	" 84 75, <i>San Benito</i> ,	" 211, 5 10
" 86 75, <i>Union</i> ,	" 58, 5 00	" 32 50, <i>Bodega</i> ,	" 213, 2 00
" 181 00, <i>Live Oak</i> ,	" 61, 10 85	" 36 00, <i>Monterey</i> ,	" 217, 2 10
" 26 75, <i>Yolo</i> ,	" 81, 2 00	" 46 25, <i>Pleasanton</i> ,	" 218, 2 75
" 53 00, <i>Vesper</i> ,	" 84, 3 25	" 56 50, <i>Downey</i> ,	" 220, 3 50
" 65 75, <i>Saint Helena</i> ,	" 93, 3 95	" 44 25, <i>Granite</i> ,	" 222, 2 65
" 68 00, <i>La Grange</i> ,	" 99, 4 10	" 28 50, <i>Brooklyn</i> ,	" 225, 1 70
" 47 25, <i>Summit</i> ,	" 112, 3 00	" 26 50, <i>Hayward</i> ,	" 226, 1 60
" 37 75, <i>Alamo</i> ,	" 122, 2 25	" 46 00, <i>Contra Costa</i> ,	" 227, 2 70
" 115 75, <i>Sotoyome</i> ,	" 123, 6 75	" 23 50, <i>Solano</i> ,	" 229, 1 40
" 49 75, <i>La Fayette</i> ,	" 126, 3 00	" 38 25, <i>North Butte</i> ,	" 230, 2 25
" 26 50, <i>Woodbridge</i> ,	" 131, 1 60	" 26 50, <i>Calistoga</i> ,	" 233, 1 25
" 41 50, <i>Vacaville</i> ,	" 134, 2 50	" 44 75, <i>Hill's Ferry</i> ,	" 236, 2 25
" 45 75, <i>Curtis</i> ,	" 140, 2 75	" 15 00, <i>Pescadero</i> ,	" 239, 1 00
" 52 75, <i>Grafton</i> ,	" 141, 3 10	" 50 00, <i>Eucalyptus</i> ,	" 243, 3 00
Amount carried forward...\$104 70		Total amount received...\$172 40	

Sold \$1750 silver, January 31, 1877, at $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. discount, as per accompanying voucher..... \$115 40

Balance of discount received carried to credit of the Grand Lodge,

July 31, 1877,..... 56 00 \$172 40

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DISBURSEMENTS.

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For account of Salaries of Grand Officers:

Paid Grand Secretary, as per vouchers Nos. 19, 52, 73, 95, . . .	\$3,600 00	
" Ass't Gr. Sec'y, " " " " 18, 53, 74, 94, ...	1,500 00	
" Grand Lecturer, " " " " 17, 54, 75, 93, ...	625 00	
" Grand Treasurer, " " " " 93, ...	100 00	
" Grand Tyler, " " " " 24, ...	100 00	
" Grand Organist, " " " " 34, ...	50 00	\$5,975 00

For account of Expenses of Elective Grand Officers:

Paid Grand Master and Senior and Junior Grand Wardens, expenses in attending Grand Lodge in 1876, as per vouchers Nos. 7, 9, 11, ...	\$121 00	\$121 00
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For account of Expenses of last Communication:

Paid for sundry expenses of meeting of the Grand Lodge, as per vouchers Nos. 12, 14, 22, 25, 26, ...	\$77 75	\$77 75
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For account of Expenditures for the Library:

Paid for sundry proceedings of Grand Lodges, books, etc., as per vouchers Nos. 4, 23, 33, 48, 63, 80, ...	\$19 80	\$19 80
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For account of Expenses of Grand Secretary's Office:

Paid for printing and binding 1850 copies of proceedings of 1876, as per vouchers Nos. 27, 56, ...	\$2,212 60	
Paid for sundry printing during the year, as per vouchers Nos. 2, 6, 13, 21, 29, 46, 60, 64, 69, 85, 87, 89, ...	186 75	
Paid for rent of offices of the Grand Lodge for the year, as per vouchers Nos. 16, 51, 76, 92, ...	900 00	
Paid to janitor of offices of the Grand Lodge for the year, as per vouchers Nos. 15, 50, 77, 91, ...	120 00	
Paid for sundry blank books, stationery, ribbon, postage, etc., as per vouchers Nos. 10, 32, 49, 61, 67, 70, 90, ...	94 90	
Paid for sundry express charges, telegrams, coal, printing diplomas, etc., as per vouchers Nos. 57, 62, 79, 83, ...	30 50	
Paid for incidental expenses of the Grand Secretary's office for the year, as per vouchers Nos. 20, 55, 78, 97, ...	350 45	\$3,895 20

For account of Extra Expenditures:

Paid to the several Boards of Relief in the State, by order of the Grand Lodge, as per vouchers Nos. 38, 39, 42, 43, 44, 45, . .	\$3,000 00	
Paid to chairman of Committee on Correspondence for the year 1876, as per voucher No. 8, ...	250 00	
Paid for band of music at laying corner-stone of the Metropolitan Church, and advertising same, as per vouchers Nos. 1, 3, . .	48 00	
Paid Grand Master, appropriation for contingent expenses in 1875 and 1876, as per vouchers Nos. 5, 81, 88, ...	750 00	
Paid for sundry crape, repairing jewels, ornamental writing, lettering portraits, carpenter's work and painting, etc., as per vouchers Nos. 30, 31, 47, 58, 66, 68, 71, 72, 82, 86, ...	235 85	
Paid for sundry expenses of funeral of our late Bro. JAMES LAIDLEY, Grand Treasurer, as per vouchers Nos. 28, 35, 36, 37, 40, 41, 59, 65, 84, ...	362 25	\$4,646 10

For account of Payment of Representatives, etc.:

Paid to representatives of Lodges for traveling expenses to and from the Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication in 1876, as per pay roll submitted, ...	\$3,115 75	
Paid to appointed Grand Officers and chairmen of Standing Committees in 1876, as per above named pay roll, ...	175 50	\$3,291 25

Being a total of disbursements to July 31st, 1877, of \$18,026 10

RECAPITULATION.

	Rep. Fund.	Gen. Fund.
Balances to debit of late Grand Treasurer, August 1st, 1876,....	\$3,170 75	\$ 2,493 74
Received by late Grand Treasurer, to October 31st, 1876,.....	2,947 25	13,856 00
Received by present Grand Treasurer to July 31st, 1877,....		766 13

Making a total amount of balances and receipts, of....	\$6,118 00	\$17,115 87
The disbursements during the year ending July 31st, 1877, were	3,291 25	14,734 85
Showing balances to the credit of the two funds, of....	\$2,826 75	\$2,381 02
And that there should be a total balance in the treasury, of.....		\$5,207 77

In order that it may be properly shown to whose debit this balance now stands, and to distinguish between the accounts of the present and the late Grand Treasurer, it will be necessary to present this explanatory and

FURTHER RECAPITULATION:

Balances to debit of late Grand Treasurer, August 1st, 1876,...	\$3,170 75	\$ 2,493 74
Received by late Grand Treasurer, to October 31st, 1876,.....	2,947 25	13,856 00
Being a total of balances and receipts by him, of.....	\$6,118 00	\$16,349 74
Disbursements from funds in hands of late Grand Treasurer,...	3,291 25	13,985 27
Leaving balances to debit of late Grand Treasurer,....	\$2,826 75	\$2,364 47
Being an aggregate amount to his debit, of.....		\$5,191 22

There has been received by the present Grand Treasurer for the last three quarters of the year, to July 31st, 1877, as per his receipts to the Grand Secretary, the sum of,.....	\$766 13
And there has been disbursed by him to this date,.....	749 58

Leaving a balance in his hands, July 31st, 1877, of.....	\$ 16 55
To which add balance to debit of the late Grand Treasurer,....	5,191 22
And there should remain in the treasury, as above, ...	\$5,207 77

It is proper to add that a claim for the above amount of \$5,191 22 has been presented by the undersigned to the executors of the last will and testament of our late Grand Treasurer, and that such claim has been duly allowed by them.

All which is respectfully submitted by

MOSES HELLER,

Grand Treasurer.

Which report, with the accompanying books and vouchers, was referred to the Committee on Finances.

The Grand Lecturer presented his Annual Report to the Grand Lodge, as follows:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

I have the honor to report that, since our last Annual Communication, I have issued certificates of qualification to the Masters elect of the following Lodges, namely: Nos. 13, 22, 30, 44, 120, 127, 142, 146, 163, 203, 204, 206, 210, 212, 214, 215, 219, and 240. The most of the brethren who received these certificates were by me personally examined, the exceptions being those whose proficiency was vouched for by an Inspector or other competent authority.

On the twenty-sixth day of October, I accompanied the Grand Master to Visalia, and assisted in laying the corner-stone of the Court House there to be erected. In

the evening, the work was exemplified before the officers and members of *Visalia* Lodge, No. 123.

I also accompanied the Grand Master and exemplified the work in the following districts, namely: the first, where the brethren assembled at Eureka, Humboldt county; the fourteenth, where the meeting was held at Petaluma, Sonoma county; and the eighteenth, where the meeting was held at Jackson, Amador county. These districts comprise twenty-seven Lodges, the most of which were represented, and the degrees were conferred by the several officers in an impressive manner and in strict conformity with our ritual.

Inspector JOHN A. WATSON, of the first district, reports that, owing to the unusual depression in all kinds of business, the Lodges in his district have done but little work during the past year, but that what has been done has been well done.

Inspector JOHN CLEMENTS reports the seven Lodges comprising the third district as in a prosperous condition, the brethren being all anxious to comply with the requirements of the Grand Lodge. He had visited them all, and claims for them the highest state of proficiency in the work.

Inspector WILLIAM C. LEMMON was able to visit but two of the four Lodges comprising the fifth district. He reports them as doing good work and as being in a prosperous condition.

Inspector BENJAMIN W. BARNES reports the three Lodges of the sixth district as doing their work in strict conformity with the established work of the Grand Lodge, and as being in a healthy condition.

Inspector JOSIAH P. BROWN, of the seventh district, had visited every Lodge therein and witnessed the conferring of the degrees in each. He had also devoted considerable time in lecturing the officers, and had found them ready and anxious to perfect themselves in the ritual. He has noticed a steady improvement in the work from year to year, and thinks that they are nearly perfect.

Inspector IANTHIS J. ROLFE reports having visited all the Lodges in the eighth district, except one, *Dibble*, No. 109, the members of which are so scattered that it was impossible to get enough together to have made the visit an object. He, however, having a knowledge of the proficiency of the officers, could vouch that they conferred the degrees in a proper manner. He had instructed a number of the Masters in his district and pronounced them well qualified.

Inspector ORRIN W. HOLLENBECK reports having visited six of the ten Lodges in the ninth district. He did not deem it necessary to visit the other four, as they were presided over by Masters of whose competency he was fully satisfied. He reports the work in the district as up to the average standard, and the Lodges as severally prosperous.

Inspector ROBERT E. WARREN reports that the Lodges in the tenth district have done but little work, but that they are in a healthy and prosperous condition financially, and that their affairs are administered by Masters noted for their Masonic knowledge, zeal, and fidelity.

Inspector FRANCIS E. WARREN complains of the lack of interest manifested by the members of the two Lodges comprising the twelfth district, but attributes it to the dull times which have prevailed in that section of the country. The officers, however, endeavor to do their work in an efficient manner.

Inspector BENJAMIN F. TUTTLE reports the eleven Lodges comprising the fourteenth district as being in a healthy and prosperous condition. Convocations had been held at three points in the district, at which representatives from nearly all the Lodges were present and assisted in the exemplification of the work, which was done in a satisfactory manner.

Inspector JOHN Q. ADAMS, in an able and lengthy report, reviews the condition of the ten Lodges comprising the fifteenth district. He had visited them all, and credits them with the highest state of proficiency. Of two, he says: "There is hardly a member of either Lodge, if called upon, but can fill any position but that of

the Master with credit." Of another, he says: "Some members travel twelve or fifteen miles every time a meeting is called, and think it no hardship." He regards his district as equal to any in the jurisdiction for correctness of work and zeal for the cause of Masonry, although he says that he has a few rough ashlar, which can never be made perfect, and somehow they always appear to be on top. He thinks if they would only take a back seat, and let men of brains come to the front, the Fraternity would be benefited thereby.

Inspector THOMAS C. POCKMAN reports having visited most of the Lodges in the sixteenth district. He found them much improved in the work and lectures, and states that the best of harmony and good feeling prevailed, but that little work had been done, on account of the short crops.

Inspector GEORGE BURNHAM, of the seventeenth district, had visited seven of the nine Lodges therein, and reports them as doing good work and acting harmoniously.

Inspector ROBERT AITKEN, of the eighteenth district, reports that circumstances had prevented him from visiting the several Lodges in his district officially, and that, inasmuch as the Grand Master and Grand Lecturer had witnessed the exemplification of the work by the officers of the several Lodges, when on a visit to the district during the past year, and had approved of the same, he deemed it unnecessary to report on that head.

Inspector EDWARD B. HEDGES, of the nineteenth district, reports that, owing to a press of business, he was unable to visit the Lodges in his district, except those in his immediate vicinity. He addressed a letter to the Masters of those Lodges which he had not visited, requesting them to send him a statement of the condition of their Lodges as to their proficiency in the work, etc. He regrets having received responses from but two, who gave good accounts of themselves.

Inspector JAMES RANKIN, of the twentieth district, had visited all the Lodges therein, and witnessed the conferring of the degrees in them all; and, although he could not say that they were letter-perfect, yet, taking into consideration the small amount of work at hand, he thinks they have done well.

Inspector ELIPHALET M. SMITH, of the twenty-first district, reports having visited seven of the nine Lodges therein. He found them anxious and willing to conform to all the requirements of the Grand Lodge, and states that they are in a healthy and prosperous condition, and doing good work. He refused a certificate of qualification to a Master elect who was not proficient in the work and lectures, and when he visited the Lodge, a few months thereafter, he notified that Master that, unless he at once took measures to properly qualify himself, he would report him to the Grand Master. The desired effect was produced, the Master immediately qualified, and the Lodge is now doing fair work. I commend Inspector SMITH's action in this case to other Inspectors.

Inspector HARDAGE L. ANDREWS reports having visited all the Lodges in the twenty-third district. He says that, on account of the general depression of business during the past year, the Lodges have done but little work, and in consequence are a little rusty. They are in good condition financially, however, and are working in harmony.

Inspector FREDERICK W. LUCAS, of the twenty-fourth district, reports that, in consequence of the general financial depression during the past year, the Lodges in his district had done but little work, yet the exemplifications demonstrated that the brethren still retained the work, requiring only practice, with a careful study of effect, to render it correct and impressive. He concludes a very interesting report in the following language:—

"In no State in the Union, perhaps, has the office of Grand Lecturer been of greater necessity than here, and nowhere has the establishment and maintenance of a uniformity of work been beset with greater or more numerous difficulties. The discovery of gold, and the varied attractions of our soil and climate, had drawn to our coast Masons from every portion of the habitable globe, each wedded to his own

peculiar system of work, and thus in our Lodge rooms the confusion of Masonic language was as great as that which obtained among the operative workmen at the erection of the Tower of Babel. But since the adoption of our present system of work has been made obligatory upon the Lodges, a gradual but steady improvement has taken place. The 'Ancient Mason' has either accepted the situation or retired from the field of action, until now, so far as my observation has extended, we have approached as near to a uniformity of work as it is possible for human organizations endowed with human memories to attain. Too many, however, in their efforts to acquire the precise language of the ritual, and unmindful of the duration of early impressions, have entirely lost sight of the intended effect upon the mind of the candidate, and to this point I have, during my recent visits, called especial attention—quoting from your own injunction, 'Cater to the eye as well as to the brain.'"

Inspector ROBERT C. BRODER had visited three of the four Lodges comprising the twenty-sixth district, and reports them as being in very good condition.

Inspector THADDEUS SHERMAN presents his usual brief report, viz.: that the two Lodges comprising the twenty-seventh district are in a healthy and flourishing condition and doing good work.

Inspector IRVING N. MCGUIRE, of the twenty-eighth district, reports the four Lodges over which he has supervision to be in a satisfactory condition. They had done but little work during the past year owing to the hard times. He had visited them all.

Inspector WILLIAM W. ROBINSON reports having visited the eight Lodges in the twenty-ninth district, and having found them, with one exception, doing fair work. The Lodges have done but little work on account of the dry season, which has made the times very hard in that section of the State. He credits the Lodges in the district with an improvement in the work over last year.

Inspector SOLON W. CRAIGUE, of the thirtieth district, reports *San Diego* Lodge, No. 35, to be well up in the work, the officers well posted, and the Lodge in good condition. He had not been able to visit the other Lodge in his district, *Azlan*, No. 177, located at Prescott, Arizona Territory, on account of press of business.

Inspector DAVID K. FYFE, of the thirty-first district, (Sandwich Islands), being the Master of *Hawaiian* Lodge, prefers not to speak of his own competency, but believes that he is as proficient now as he was when examined by the Grand Lecturer a few months ago, who pronounced him well qualified. Of *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, the only other in his district, he says that it has fallen into such a hopeless condition that he fears it will be impossible to extricate it unless something sharp and decisive is done. He suggests the expediency of the Senior Warden being required to learn the Master's work as well as his own, so that in the absence of the Master he could carry on the work in conferring the degrees.

It is now seven years since the present system of inspection was adopted by this Grand Lodge, and it affords me great pleasure to be able to report that it has accomplished all that was expected of it. The many irregularities which then existed in the conferring of the degrees have been corrected, and the Lodges now, with very few exceptions, confer the degrees in accordance with the ritual prescribed by this Grand Lodge. I have exemplified the work in nearly all the districts under the jurisdiction, and have, more than an hundred times, seen the degrees conferred therein; and I am pleased to say that the Lodges have gained as high a state of proficiency in the work and lectures as they will (in my opinion) ever attain. It is true that the brethren sometimes make a mistake in the selection of their officers (especially of the Master), who take but little interest in the work, seeking the positions only for the honors they confer. Of course, during such an administration, poor work is done; but their shortcomings are generally corrected at the ensuing election, when more vigorous Masters soon bring the Lodge back to its former standard and position. But in order to keep up the present state of proficiency, the Inspectors must exercise proper vigilance over the Lodges in their respective districts, and not suffer

them to relapse into their former condition. They should also frequently compare their work with the Grand Lecturer, and endeavor to become so perfect as not to vary quite so much from each other as they sometimes do. The resolution adopted by this Grand Lodge, in 1875, requiring "that the Grand Master issue Inspector's commissions to such brethren only as have a certificate from the Grand Lecturer as to qualification and proficiency in the work and lectures adopted by this Grand Lodge," was intended to remedy the evil and make the Inspectors letter-perfect. I am sorry to say that in many cases it has proved a dead letter, and could not be enforced. The Inspectors are usually appointed after the close of the Annual Communication, at which they have attended a week or more. At its close, they are all anxious to return to their homes and resume their usual avocations, and it is a rare instance if one remains to review his work with the Grand Lecturer.

Some months ago I suggested to the Grand Master that, taking into consideration the fact that the Lodges are now working as well as perhaps they ever will, the salary of the Grand Lecturer might with propriety be dispensed with, and that his office be made a position of honor alone, without any actual or imagined source of profit. Should he be called upon to visit districts and exemplify the work, the Grand Lodge ought to reimburse him for his traveling expenses.

Certificates of qualification have been received from all the Lodges in the jurisdiction except *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, and one other, from which last a satisfactory excuse was sent.

The following Inspectors have failed to report to the Grand Lecturer, viz.: Bro. ABISHA SWAIN, of the second district; Bro. WILLIAM H. CRANE, of the fourth district; Bro. JOSEPH H. FLINT, of the eleventh district; Bro. WOODS CRAWFORD, of the thirteenth district; Bro. ALEXANDER MARTIN, of the twenty-second district; and Bro. MARK HOWELL, of the twenty-fifth district.

To the officers and members of the Lodges with whom I have been so long and so pleasantly associated, I desire to return my sincere thanks for the many acts of courtesy received at their hands, and to present my assurances that the memory of the many pleasant hours passed in their society, will ever be to me a well-spring of happy reminiscences.

All which is respectfully submitted by

JOHN WERNER SHAEFFER,

Grand Lecturer.

Which report was ordered to be referred to a special committee of five, and the Grand Master named the following brethren to constitute such committee—

<i>On the Report of the Grand Lecturer :..</i>	{	Bro. Orrin Whitcomb Hollenbeck, " Edward Richard Hedges, " Benjamin Franklin Tuttle, " George Burnham, " Ianthis Jerome Rolfe.
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The Grand Secretary, on behalf of Bro. WILLIAM H. HILL, chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, (now absent from the State,) presented the following report, the reading of which was dispensed with, the members being furnished with printed copies thereof :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

The chairman of your Committee has received from the Grand Secretary the following proceedings of Grand Lodges, fifty in number, (being all in North America, except Michigan and Prince Edward Island,) which he has endeavored to review to the best

of his ability. Without further preface, he again submits this specimen of his skill to his brethren for their inspection, and, he would humbly hope, for their approval :

ALABAMA,.....for Dec.,...1876	MISSOURI,.....for Oct.,...1876
ARKANSAS,....." Oct.,...1876	MONTANA,....." Oct.,...1876
BRITISH COLUMBIA,...." Feb.,...1877	NEBRASKA,....." June,...1876
CANADA,....." July,...1876	NEVADA,....." Nov.,...1876
COLORADO,....." Sept.,...1876	NEW BRUNSWICK....." Sept.,...1876
CONNECTICUT,.. .." Jan.,...1877	NEW HAMPSHIRE,...." May,...1876
DAKOTA,....." June,...1876	NEW JERSEY,....." Jan.,...1877
DELAWARE,....." Oct.,...1876	NEW YORK,....." June,...1877
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, to Jan.,...1877	NORTH CAROLINA,...." Dec.,...1876
FLORIDA,.....for Jan.,...1877	NOVA SCOTIA,....." June,...1876
GEORGIA,....." Oct.,...1876	OHIO,....." Oct.,...1876
IDAHO,....." Sept.,...1876	OREGON,....." June,...1876
ILLINOIS,....." Oct.,...1876	PENNSYLVANIA,.....to Dec.,...1876
INDIANA,....." May,...1877	QUEBEC,.....for Sept.,...1876
INDIAN TERRITORY,...." Sept.,...1876	RHODE ISLAND,.....to May,...1876
IOWA,....." June,...1877	SOUTH CAROLINA,....for Dec.,...1876
KANSAS,....." Oct.,...1876	TENNESSEE,....." Nov.,...1876
KENTUCKY,....." Oct.,...1876	TEXAS,....." Dec.,...1876
LOUISIANA,....." Feb.,...1877	UTAH,....." Nov.,...1876
MAINE,....." May,...1877	VERMONT,....." June,...1876
MANITOBA,....." June,...1877	VIRGINIA,....." Dec.,...1876
MARYLAND,.....to May,...1877	WASHINGTON,....." Sept.,...1876
MASSACHUSETTS,....." June,...1877	WEST VIRGINIA,....." Nov.,...1876
MINNESOTA,.....for Jan.,...1877	WISCONSIN,....." June,...1876
MISSISSIPPI,....." Feb.,...1877	WYOMING,....." Oct.,...1876

ALABAMA.

The fifty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alabama was begun in the city of Montgomery on the fourth day of December, 1876,—the *M. W.* PALMER J. PILLANS, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* DANIEL SAYRE being Grand Secretary. Two hundred and eleven subordinate Lodges were represented.

From the able and well written Address of the Grand Master we gather these items of interest :—

Dispensations had been granted for the formation of seven new Lodges. In reference to special dispensations, the Grand Master had, in each case, denied the application for authority to confer the degrees in less time than that required by the Constitution. He admits that cases of emergency might arise which would justify such indulgence, but quietly and truthfully remarks that, "in every case where application was made, the individual had lived long within the sound of the gavel, without being attracted by it until duty or inclination provided a journey, when he desired hastily to be clad as a Master Mason." Of the decisions made by the Grand Master, one was as follows :—

7. When the Grand Lodge has at any time revived a dormant Lodge, it revived it with its entire membership at the time of forfeiture of charter, except as to those who might have paid their dues to the Grand Secretary and taken his certificate during dormancy; these remain unaffiliated Masons; and the funds so collected by the Grand Secretary belong to the Grand Lodge in trust for the creditors of the Lodge, if there be any.

In reporting this to the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master states that—

In the foregoing it will be found that the decision numbered 7, of this series, is in direct conflict with the ruling of my immediate predecessor, for whose sound Masonic legal ability I entertain the most profound respect, and I thus draw the attention of the Grand Lodge to this difference, that the question which has produced no little

discord among a portion of the brethren, and which must frequently arise when charters are being forfeited and restored, may be determined by the deliberate exercise of the aggregate wisdom of this body.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, to which this and other decisions were referred, were granted until the next Communication to report thereon. We believe that this particular question has never been formally passed upon in this jurisdiction, no case of the kind having actually occurred. For reasons often given, we shall not discuss the decision, nor attempt to determine what the law should be. Grand Masters and the committees on Masonic Jurisprudence are charged with that duty, and we have no inclination to poach upon their manor.

Here are some words in the close of the Address, over which all Masons may stop and ponder a moment:—

Our numbers, brethren, apparently diminish, while the number of our Lodges seems to increase, which ought to suggest to us the propriety of inquiring into the reasons for this deplorable state of things. Doubtless the peculiar political condition which has for some time prevailed, and the financial depression, lying incubus-like upon the whole country, have had their due influence in producing the lethargy which we to-day witness in Masonic circles. But are there not other and more potent causes conspiring to this same result? Have we, as Masons, exemplified in our lives what we teach with our lips? Masonry indicates a high morality and urges the practice of the cardinal virtues and of charity—a charity which thinketh no ill of a brother; a charity which is ever ready to whisper good counsel in his ear and to lend a hand to help in time of need; a charity which will ever regard a brother's welfare as his own. Let us then, this day, put the inquiry to ourselves and to each other, if we, either individually or as Lodges, have been true to what we claim for Masonry? Be sure, my brethren, if this were so, the Masonic light would so shine before men that they, seeing our good works, would seek to become of us, and our sphere of usefulness would increase and our numbers enlarge. It is idle for us to proclaim our virtues if we practice them not. Should a brother be distressed, do we console him? Should he be vilely spoken of, do we defend him? Should he need good counsel and advice, do we give it him? If reviled of men, do we go to him and ascertain the truth, or do we not rather shun and avoid him, even "passing by on the other side," although we do not repeat the slanders reported of him? There is no one so entirely bad but that there is some good in him, and we, as Masons, are banded together to cultivate what is good, that the bad may be overcome thereby.

We know of some old-fashioned Masons who would hold up their hands in horror at the adoption of this resolution, offered by the Grand Secretary, and agreed to:—

Resolved, That a copy of the address of the M. W. Grand Master be furnished to the *Daily Advertiser*, for publication to-morrow morning.

The following resolutions, offered by the Grand Secretary, were referred to a select committee, "with instructions to report as soon as practicable." That "convenient season" did not come during the Communication, and it will be well, perhaps, if the resolutions should there sleep the sleep that knows no wakening. They are the antipodes of those offered by the Ohio committee, but neither of them suits our Masonic taste. Better let our "colored" brethren alone, and await the developments of his future, not that of the Caucasian race:—

WHEREAS, The question of the recognition of Negro Masons has been made more than usually prominent during the last year; and

WHEREAS, This Grand Lodge has a well-settled opinion upon that subject, which she desires most respectfully and fraternally to express to her sister Grand Lodges everywhere, and especially to those of the United States; she deems the present a fit opportunity to set forth the reasons which impel her to that opinion.

1. It is indisputable that whatever theory we adopt as to the origin of Masonry—whether that which carries it back to the original father of mankind, and his immediate descendants; or to Enoch and Noah; or to the building of King Solomon's Temple; or arising from the constitution of Pythagoras; or if we trace it back to the Eleusinian Mysteries; or to those of Ceres, and the institution of the Bacchanalia; or, what is most probable of all, the incorporation of the Roman Builders under Numa Pompilius—that theory carries us back to the Caucasian race.

2. Masonry was originally, what it is mainly to-day, a Social Institution; intended for those who daily mingled together in the ordinary walks of life, in business, in pleasure, and in the family circle; into which it is not credible that any one of the negro, or of any other of the inferior races, could have been admitted.

3. That negroes have of late years been admitted into Lodges of Free Masons is due, it is believed, to the sympathy which has been excited for them by anti-slavery societies generally, and particularly by those of the United States; and that any were admitted during the revolutionary war by traveling Lodges belonging to the British Army, was due to the feeling which existed at that time against the American Patriots: a proceeding entirely at variance with the object of the formation of such Lodges, they having no right to confer the degrees upon any citizen or resident of the country in which they might be sojourning, but only upon members of the army to which such Lodges belonged.

4. Although it is usually said that Masonry is universal, and that in every clime Masons are to be found; yet it is only universal in so far as the Caucasian race has carried it into every quarter of the globe; and if that race has some times admitted negroes, and others of the inferior races, it has been done in violation of the original and fundamental laws of the Fraternity.

5. In view, therefore, of these facts, indisputable as they are conceived to be, the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Alabama seizes the present as a fit and proper occasion to declare its purpose, under no circumstances whatever, to acknowledge the legality of negro-masons, such acknowledgment being foreign to the original purpose of the Fraternity, and introducing an element of demoralization into the society.

The recognition of the "Grand Lodge of Ontario" was refused; that of the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba" was deferred for further information; and that of the "Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island" was acceded to.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. OLIVER S. BEERS,—his first attempt, but needing none of the many apologies made by the writer. He holds the pen like an old stager, and has given us a full and very readable report. Thirty-eight Grand Lodge proceedings pass in review. California, for 1875, receives generous and genial notice, long extracts being made from the address of Grand Master PERKINS, and also from those of Bros. SHAEFFER and HAIGHT. He hits the Grand Master a gentle rap over the knuckles for speaking of the "Order" of Freemasons, and suggests the use of "Fraternity" in its place. Bro. JANUARY's report is not forgotten, but mentioned with words of praise.

There are four hundred and eighteen Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 8338. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

ARKANSAS.

The Grand Lodge of Arkansas commenced its thirty-eighth Annual Communication in the city of Little Rock on the ninth day of October, 1876,—the M. W. M. L. BELL, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. LUKE E. BARBER being Grand Secretary. Only eighty-two of the three hundred and thirty-two chartered Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master commences with some well expressed sentiments as to the real objects of Masonry and the duty of Masons. We would like to quote liberally from this portion of the address, but must content ourselves with the closing paragraph:—

We can best show our gratitude to our Supreme Grand Master for his blessings by renewing our devotion to the good work in which we are engaged. And, while we are here assembled in council, to legislate for the general good of the Order, resolve ourselves to do more good in the next year than we have in the past. Each one can do a little for the general welfare, and every little act of charity or kindness will go to swell the current, until it gathers into the great ocean of eternity. Like the small spring out of some rock in the lonely mountains, that runs on its way, singing in the sunshine, uniting with others, they grow into a small river, which, again joining in its course with others, forms a great highway for the commerce of States, and sheds its blessings upon millions, until it falls into the great ocean, and is lost in the infinitude of waters. So each member of this Order can contribute his mite to the general good of the great mass. I can only repeat what has so often been said: there is a work for each and all to do, and a small effort from each one will accomplish great and lasting results.

One of the District Deputy Grand Masters, Bro. W. W. ADAMS, had passed away during the year and a fitting tribute is paid to his memory.

The Grand Master publishes seven of his decisions. One reproves a Master for assuming the prerogative of the Grand Master, by authorizing his Lodge to hold a special meeting for the election of officers—the regular day having passed—and then installing the same, notwithstanding the disapproval of the Lodge. Some Worshipful Masters do love to “magnify their office.”

The “Ladies’ Benevolent Association” of Little Rock had been doing a good and charitable work in that city, and were there maintaining a hospital. They appealed to the Grand Lodge for sympathy and aid. The former was heartily extended, although the latter was necessarily withheld.

The Committee on Grievances crowded a report on eleven cases into a single page of the proceedings. But then the chairman knows how to use a condenser, and the casual, outside reader, even, can be at no loss to understand the points on which the several decisions were made. We quote one of these *multum in parvo* sentences: “We regard it as a family and church muddle, and think the decision (not guilty) ought to be sustained.” Is not that *text* as good as the longest of *sermons*?

The *Masonic Jewel*, published at Memphis, was recommended for support to the Lodges and the Fraternity.

A certain Master was publicly tried by the Grand Lodge, found guilty, and removed from office. We suppose the brethren interested know for what, but no hint thereof appears in the proceedings.

We notice that there is a by-law—one of the Uniform Code in that jurisdiction—which provides that “any member living within —— miles of the location of the Lodge, failing to attend a stated meeting for —— months, shall be declared suspended by the Master, after having been duly notified, unless he shall give sufficient excuse, in the opinion of the majority of the members present, for non-attendance.” Of course, each Lodge fills these blanks to suit itself; but it strikes us that this is more rigid even than our own code as to suspension for non-payment of dues. What a thinning out of many of our California Lodges such a clause would effect!

The Grand Lodges of Manitoba, Prince Edward Island, and Wyoming were formally recognized; but that of the Indian Territory—next neighbor to Arkansas—was again laid over. What is the reason?

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. GEORGE THORNBURGH—his maiden effort, but, barring the too frequent use of the personal pronoun “I,” is one of the wittiest we have read since it was our privilege to indulge in cachinnatory exercise over those unique productions of Bro. GUILBERT, of Iowa. He declares that every word of the report (one hundred pages in length) was written, the “scissors and paste not being used at all.” Good for Bro. THORNBURGH, but we think his back must have ached, as he copied page after page from Grand Master’s addresses, and the like.

California, for 1875, is extensively and favorably noticed. Nearly three pages of Grand Master PERKINS’s Address are copied approvingly. We copy what he says of Bro. ABELL, informing our brother, however, that the business of giving the full names of brethren is in accordance with an order of the Grand Lodge, and not a mere whim of our Grand Secretary. We think that Bro. ABELL would weaken should that alphabetical brother from “Yell County” remove to California:—

The Grand Secretary has a way of his own for writing the names of persons. He always puts the entire name. If he had some of our members he would have a good time—for instance, our brother, J. R. G. W. N. ADAMS, of Dardanelle, Yell county; but, fortunately, California Masons have more gold and less name than those of Arkansas.

The Grand Secretary presented his annual report for the twentieth time. He has been in that corner a long time—more than twice as long as this reporter has been a man—and yet I expect to hear of him being there as long as he is able (ABELL). And when he is not able (ABELL), Brother MOODY, or some other good brother, will write: “Excused because no longer able” (ABELL).

Very favorable mention is made of the reports of the Grand Lecturer and Grand Orator, (Bro. HAIGHT) and copious extracts made from both. Bro. JANUARY is also honored; and our brother closes the notice of California with this pithy paragraph: "We say this for that Grand Lodge, We are surprised at its thrift, wonder at its extravagances, and admire its charity."

We would like to cull a few more of the spicy sayings of our brother, but have only room for one of the closing paragraphs, which exactly expresses our own feelings:—

The dreaded task is done. I began the work with visions of mountains of dry, uninteresting reading before me. I look back upon it as a work rather to be courted than avoided. Not because of my ability to perform it, but because I have been brought by a way I knew not. I have been led in paths I had not known. My views on Masonry and its triumphs have been exalted. On every hand I have found the evidences of an onward and upward march. I have seen what Masonry is doing for the destitute by her Boards and Committees of Charity. I have seen how the widow and the orphan are tenderly cared for in Masonic "Homes." I have seen Masonic Colleges erected for the education of the head and heart of sons and daughters. I have seen the best men of the nation, in the ranks of the Craft, battling for fraternity and systematic benevolence. I have seen our tried and trusty leaders fall, here and there, in the battle of life; but there were strong hands, brave hearts, and noble souls ready to receive their mantles. I have found that Masonry is not dead, nor sleeping, but is wielding a greater influence, year after year, in behalf of fallen humanity. Occasionally a pebble is thrown upon the surface, and a ripple is created, but, in its attempts to widen, it is met by the waves of brotherly love, relief and truth, and is driven back amid the shouts of the Craft, crying, "Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will to man."

There are three hundred and thirty-two Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 8081. The M. W. M. M. McGUIRE was elected Grand Master and the R. W. LUKE E. BARBER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The proceedings of the sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia are before us, in a very humble, unpretentious pamphlet of less than forty pages. It was held in the city of Victoria, on the seventeenth day of February, 1877,—the M. W. FREDERICK WILLIAMS presiding as Grand Master, and the R. W. COOTE M. CHAMBERS being Grand Secretary. Seven Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is brief, and confined mainly to the local affairs of the jurisdiction. No large increase of membership could be expected, but the condition of the Craft was prosperous notwithstanding. He had visited and inspected nearly every Lodge in the jurisdiction, the exception being *Cariboo* Lodge, which enjoys the geographical position of being nearer the North Pole than any other Masonic Lodge. The only disturbing element was at New Westminster, where a former Provincial District Deputy Grand Master, while under the charge of the Grand Lodge of England, had fermented many disturbances. But the expulsion of himself and his few co-laborers in mischief brought peace on the banks of the Fraser.

The Grand Secretary submitted his annual report, recommending the appointment of a Committee on Foreign Correspondence, but no action was taken thereon by the Grand Lodge.

The "Board of General Purposes," a kind of Grand Lodge in miniature in all the Canadian Lodges, submitted several reports. When LORD DUFFERIN, the Governor-General, visited British Columbia, an invitation was extended to the Masons to "appear in regalia and participate in his reception," but the Board unanimously resolved that as "no Masonic work was to be done, it was inexpedient to do so." A very correct decision.

There are eight Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 312. The Grand Master was re-elected, and the R. W. ELI HARRISON, Jr., was elected Grand Secretary, Bro. CHAMBERS having been elected Junior Grand Warden.

CANADA.

The Grand Lodge of Canada commenced its twenty-first Annual Communication in the city of Ottawa on the twelfth day of July, 1876—the *M. W.* JAMES K. KERR, Grand Master, “on the throne,” and the *R. W.* J. J. MASON being Grand Secretary. Two hundred and nineteen Lodges were represented.

Twelve Especial Communications were held in different parts of the jurisdiction, prior to the Annual Communication, for work, as specified in the following extract from the Grand Master's Address:—

1. A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge was called at Toronto, in August of last year, when, assisted by the brethren, I laid the corner-stone of a new church, in the presence of a large gathering of the people of that city.

2. In the following month I laid the corner-stone of a new church in London, having convened a communication of the Grand Lodge for that purpose. There was a very large attendance of the brethren on this occasion also.

R. W. Bro. MOTT, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, being then in London, we had the honor of his presence at this ceremony, and we were much gratified to have the opportunity of thus meeting that distinguished brother.

Special communications of a like character were also held, and corner-stones of public buildings were laid, at the following places:

3. At Strathroy, the corner-stone of a church to be called the “Church of St. John the Evangelist,” to be used by the members of the Church of England.

4. At Frankford, the corner-stone of a church to be used by the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

5. At Dover East, the corner-stone of a church to be called “St. Thomas' Church,” to be used by the members of the Church of England.

6. At Kingston, the corner-stone of a building to be occupied by *Minden* Lodge, as a hall and lodge room.

7. At Bethany, the corner-stone of a church to be used by the members of the Church of England.

8. At Ridgetown, the corner-stone of a church to be used by the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

9. At Onondaga, the corner-stone of a church to be used by the members of the Church of England.

10. At Foxboro', the corner-stone of a church to be used by the members of the Methodist Church.

11. At Belleville, the corner-stone of another church to be used by the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

12. At Guelph, the corner-stone of a Masonic Hall, to be erected by the Masonic Hall Company, for the use of the Lodges in that town.

Upon each of these occasions a massive silver trowel was presented to the acting Grand Master, and, as in most cases, this was the Grand Master himself, he must have on hand a goodly number of these valuable mementoes to hand down to his posterity. Several of the addresses delivered at these corner-stone ceremonies are very fine, and we would be glad to quote liberally therefrom. One or two extracts, however, must suffice. Thus, at Toronto, where the corner-stone of a new Episcopal church was laid:—

We have, peculiar to our Order, secrets which are withheld from all other men, which no man has ever discovered and that may not be revealed. But whilst we withhold such secrets, be assured that they are lawful, honorable, and instructive, and in testimony of this we can point with confidence to the position which the Craft has ever enjoyed in the estimation of men, and I may boldly claim that if any of our tenets were not lawful, honorable, and useful, so many loyal, illustrious and enlightened brethren throughout the length and breadth of the civilized world would not have been enrolled under our banners. Eminent statesmen and distinguished scholars have always been found amongst our numbers, and from the days of the Royal Solomon to the present day, even monarchs, distinguished as well for their wisdom as for the propriety of their conduct, have not thought it derogatory to dignity to exchange the scepter for the gavel, and to lay aside the robes of royalty for the lambskin apron of a Freemason.

At the request of the rector and church wardens, I have convened the present meeting of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, for the purpose of assisting in the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of this new church.

I am always glad to have the opportunity of taking part in a ceremony which in itself is always interesting, but it gives me special pleasure to be present to-day to take some part in laying the corner-stone of the new church which is about to be

erected here to supply the very great wants that have been felt to exist in the community of this newly formed parish. I congratulate the members of the congregation on the spirit and energy displayed towards the erection of so handsome an edifice, and one which must be productive of so much good to the community. The Masonic fraternity have of themselves played no unimportant part in the laying of the corner-stones of edifices of one kind or another, and there is no undertaking they enter upon with more pleasure than participating in the erection of an edifice designed for the promotion of religious truths and the glory of the Great Architect of the Universe.

And this, from an address at the laying of the corner-stone of a public hall in Kingston:—

It may not be out of place for me to draw your attention at this time to some of the cardinal principles which distinguish our noble Order. First, then, we meet upon a common ground of liberty and equality. We do not claim to be a religious society, and yet we base our principles upon the Bible, the law of God to the Jew as well as the Christian. We quarrel with no man's religious belief, we do not set up our noble Craft in opposition to any distinctive religious principle, but we claim for ourselves the noble calling of bettering our fellow men by aiding them to a knowledge of the true and living God.

Second, we are strictly non-political. In this land where the bitterest animosities are sometimes foolishly engendered, this is no vaunting boast. Although outside the portals of our Lodge we may honestly differ in regard to matters of public utility, inside that abode, no word of politics has ever been heard, nor have men of the keenest political sympathies ever found any trouble to meet each other in brotherly harmony in the place dedicated to unity and love; and while we thus boast of this freedom from political bias, there is no need of denying the fact that in other countries less favored than our own, secret societies have been formed aping the name of Freemasonry, but not possessed of its spirit, and thus our noble Order has incurred obloquy and disgrace. The true system, however, still lives, and from the stately minarets of Turkish palaces to the iced-tipped homes of the frozen North, men are found who raise the banner of our Order, and illustrate its principles by the blameless purity of their life and conduct. Concerned with no treasons, busy with no sinister aims of selfish aggrandizement, and influenced only by a spirit of loyalty to any government established in honesty and equity, our Order, the symbol of upright dealing, concerns itself only about its own noble aims, and leaves cabals and disloyal actions to those who own some other authority than its beneficent sway.

Third, we are a moral institution. It has often been objected that Masonry enrolls under its banners men who are adherents of no church, and who are said to find the gospel in the tenets of Masonry. It may be we have such men, though their number must be small. But to those non-masons who are listening to me I would suggest this enquiry: You pride yourself on the purity of your church principles. Go over your church membership and, marking such as are Masons, consider whether these are not those who are active beyond others in promoting every good work tending to the good of their fellow man. Masonry will never take a man to heaven, but will pave the way for him and bring him nearer to the great I AM.

At the Annual Communication the Grand Master delivered an Address of considerable length, but well-written and of general interest. He paid a glowing and just tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master Bro. ALDIS BERNARD, who died in San Jose, California, whither he had gone in the vain hope of recovering his health. His remains were returned to his old home in Canada and there interred with Masonic honors. The Grand Master had granted dispensations for the formation of fifteen new Lodges.

Notwithstanding the hard times and general prostration in the business world, the finances of the Grand Lodge were in a flourishing condition. All obligations had been met, and there are still funds under the control of the Grand Lodge amounting to \$56,116 66.

The Grand Master had had much trouble with *Eden* Lodge, under dispensation, which, during the year, had continued to act in defiance of the orders of the Grand Lodge and the edict of the Grand Master, claiming to be "a law unto themselves," and to know more about their duty and powers than the Grand Master. Some of the brethren of that Lodge and vicinity then conceived the bright idea of forming the new "Grand Lodge of Ontario," and succeeded in drawing a few brethren—but no chartered Lodge—into their toils. The Grand Master suspended all these insubordinate craftsmen and pronounced the "pretended Grand Lodge of Ontario"

a bogus and clandestine affair. The Grand Lodge indorsed his action and expelled all the brethren engaged in that work, forty-two in number.

The M. W. MARSHALL B. SMITH, Grand Master of New Jersey, being present, was announced and received with Grand Honors.

One of the District Deputy Grand Masters had "magnified his office" by certain curious Masonic proceedings. He peremptorily ordered the removal of suspension from a certain Fellow Craft, and then as peremptorily ordered the Master to confer the third degree upon the brother, under a threat of a suspension of the Master and the Lodge in case of refusal. The Committee on Grievances rightly say: "We consider this an assumption of power entirely unwarranted by any authority, constitutional or otherwise; and that a brother proceeding to exercise such high functions as those of a District Deputy Grand Master with so little regard, if not with a perfect disregard, of all proper caution and consideration, is unfit to be continued in the further discharge of the duties of such office."

We learn by a note appended to the proceedings that the M. W. Bro. SEYMOUR would prepare the Report on Correspondence, and that the same would be published as an appendix. But it does not appear in the pamphlet before us.

There are three hundred and three Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 16,719. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

COLORADO.

The Grand Lodge of this jurisdiction commenced its sixteenth Annual Communication in the city of Denver on the nineteenth day of September, 1876,—the M. W. OREN H. HENRY, Grand Master, presiding, the R. W. ED. C. PARMELEE being Grand Secretary. Seventeen Lodges were represented.

The custom prevailing in several Grand Lodges is in vogue here, viz.: first to open a Master Masons' Lodge and then the Grand Lodge in ample form. *Cui bono!*

The Address of Grand Master HENRY is brief and mainly confined to the business of the jurisdiction. He had issued four dispensations for the formation of new Lodges. A special dispensation had been granted to two Lodges to appear in procession on the last Fourth of July. We believe this is the only dispensation of the kind granted. Other Grand Masters, like our own, while equally patriotic and sympathizing with all the associations of the Centennial, could not see that Masonic work had ought to do therewith, and that the Fraternity should join therein as citizens and patriots, but not as Masons.

One of the Past Masters of a Denver Lodge, being of an inquiring mind, submitted these questions to the Grand Lodge:—

1st. Is there any law, or laws, prohibiting colored Masons from visiting your Grand or subordinate Lodges? If so, what are they?

2d. What is the status of this Grand Lodge with colored Grand Lodges in this country?

3d. Can a respectable colored Mason be admitted to visit your Grand Lodge?

They were referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, but that committee "died and made no sign." We commend to their and the brother's perusal the able report submitted to our Grand Lodge by Bro. BELCHER, a few years since.

The Grand Lodges of Dakota, Manitoba, Prince Edward Island, and Indian Territory were fraternally recognized.

There is no report from the Committee on Correspondence. There are twenty-three Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 1413. The M. W. HARPER M. ORAHOOD was elected Grand Master and the R. W. ED. C. PARMELEE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

CONNECTICUT.

The Grand Lodge of this State commenced its eighty-ninth Annual Communication in the city of New Haven on the seventeenth day of January, 1877,—the M. W. EDWARD B. ROWE, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. L. A. DICKINSON

acting as Grand Secretary, in the absence of Bro. JOSEPH K. WHEELER, who was kept from attendance by serious illness. One hundred and thirteen Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is of fair length, well written, and proves that that officer had been a worker during the year. The opening paragraphs will give the reader an idea of the excellency of the paper as a literary production:—

BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE: The *Grand Artificer* of the universe, in His infinite wisdom and mercy, hath again permitted the coming and going of the seasons in their order, and we meet to-day on the eighty-ninth Anniversary of our M. W. Grand Lodge.

As we assemble ourselves together, it is eminently becoming that we make humble and grateful acknowledgment to *Almighty God* for his infinite watch-care over, and manifold mercies towards us during the past year.

That he hath given us a spring-time of promise and a harvest of plenty.

That he hath permitted us to live in this our country's centennial year, when, as a nation, we have opened our doors to the Powers of the world, bidding them hospitable entrance to our land, our institutions, and our homes.

That peace and harmony among the craft prevail to an unusual degree, not alone within our own jurisdiction, but throughout our land and the world.

That Freemasonry, notwithstanding continued and bitter attacks are made by the skeptical and bigoted of all lands, to-day shines forth brighter and better, a wonderful exemplification of the surety of her foundations and the immortality of her great principles, Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth.

Grateful then for the mercies of the past, let us forget not to invoke His aid and seek Divine guidance in the deliberations of our present convention.

Death had invaded the precincts of the Grand Lodge and removed therefrom the Senior Grand Deacon, W. Bro. ALFRED J. BETHEL, and Past Grand Chaplain CHARLES R. FISHER, a well-known and highly esteemed Episcopal clergyman of Hartford. The Grand Master pays a glowing tribute to the worth and memory of both.

He had granted dispensations for the formation of two new Lodges.

Another reunion of the veterans in Masonry was held at New Britain on the twenty-fifth of June, which was well attended, and as interesting as those that had been before held.

Several Lodges had been disciplined during the year for unmasonic practices, and a member of one, who had attached the charter and furniture of his Lodge for a debt, was expelled by the Grand Lodge because he refused to surrender the charter to the Grand Master when demanded.

A resolution was adopted extending to Grand Secretary WHEELER the sympathies of the Grand Lodge in his serious affliction, and their sincere wishes for his speedy and entire recovery.

We were so much pleased with the perusal of the eulogy passed upon Past Grand Chaplain FISHER, by a committee of the Grand Lodge, that we copy the same. Few men made more of a mark upon the public than did he, and it is no exaggeration to say that thousands mourned his loss as that of a personal friend:—

That in the life of the Rev. Brother CHARLES R. FISHER we have an exemplification of the happy combination of the loftiest Masonic virtues with the purest Christian character; a life so pure as to command the love and respect of the good and true of every party, sect, and name where he was known; a Masonic charity so broad that it embraced every member of the fraternity; a love so comprehensive that it lost no opportunity to do good to the most degraded of the human family. The world was made better by his living in it. His example is worthy of imitation and his memory blessed.

There is no report from the Committee on Correspondence, in consequence of the illness of its chairman, the Grand Secretary. There are one hundred and thirteen Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 15,011. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

DAKOTA.

The second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Dakota was held in the city of Yankton on the thirteenth day of June, 1876,—the M. W. THOMAS H.

BROWN, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. MARK W. BAILEY being Grand Secretary. All the six subordinate Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master congratulates the Fraternity on the prosperity of the Territory and of Masonry during the year. He recommends the adoption of a system of work "that will best teach the sublime truths which are the basis of our Order, and at the same time secure the greatest possible degree of harmony between the Lodges." Three Lodges within the Territory had received their charters from the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, and these, so far, had refused to acknowledge the authority of the Grand Lodge of Dakota. The Grand Lodge passed appropriate and stringent resolutions on this subject; which will probably remedy the matter before the next Communication. Much of the Grand Master's Address is devoted to the "Colored Lodges" question; and a committee was appointed to report thereon next year.

The Committee on "Grievances and Appeals" reported that "there had been no business coming before them." Happy committee and happy Grand Lodge!

The Grand Orator, Rev. Bro. M. HOYT, delivered an address. They have no Committee on Correspondence in this jurisdiction. There are six Lodges, with a membership of 241. The M. W. H. H. BLAIR was elected Grand Master and the R. W. MARK W. BAILEY was re-elected Grand Secretary.

DELAWARE.

The Grand Lodge of our little Eastern sister, Delaware, commenced its seventieth Annual Communication in the city of Wilmington on the fourth day of October, 1876,—the M. W. GEORGE W. CHAYTOR, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. WILLIAM S. HAYES being Grand Secretary. Twenty-one Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master, in his Address, congratulated the Fraternity on the "good-fellowship and reasonable prosperity" which had prevailed during the year. Notwithstanding the financial depression the condition of the Lodges was, "on the whole, healthy and vigorous." He had decided that "it would be improper to rent Lodge rooms to the Grangers, or any other order not purely Masonic, and then only for Masonic meetings." This, to us, is more a matter of taste than of law, but we cannot help asking if one cannot occasionally sit up a little too stiff.

One Master of a Lodge wanted to know what he should do in a certain case, where a committee appointed on a petition would not report because they *were not unanimous*, insisting, Dogberry-like, that no report would be made until they were! And while thus waiting for the endowment of more than Solomonic wisdom, the petition was mislaid or lost. The Grand Master, after stating the law, advised that that committee should be summoned before the Lodge, receive a reprimand, and then be discharged. The candidate must commence *de novo*! We may be mistaken, but we do not believe we ever had a committee in California quite so stupid.

One new Lodge had been created during the year.

The Grand Master had commissioned a worthy brother, about to visit Europe, to make certain inquiries about work, charity, etc., in the Grand Lodges of England, Scotland, and Ireland. From the last two he had received most fraternal and courteous treatment, but the *locum tenens* of the Grand Secretary of England, who rejoices in the name of BUSS, "was rude in his manner and grossly disrespectful to the representative of the Grand Lodge of Delaware." He undoubtedly was a Blunder-Buss, and needs reconstruction.

The recommendation of the Grand Master of Ohio, relative to the African Lodges, is commented upon with considerable severity, and, of course, adversely; but as that movement "has come to naught," for the time being, at least, we pass without further notice the criticisms of Grand Master CHAYTOR.

The "Grand Charity Fund" does not offer much temptation to purloiners or embezzlers. Its condition is thus stated in the report of a committee: "There are no funds in the treasury subject to draft." Brief, but sufficient.*

After due examination by a committee, the "Gran Logia de la Isla de Cuba" was recognized as the duly and lawfully constituted Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba. There appear to be thirteen Lodges subordinate thereto, and, as we understand the matter, the movement was a secession, for causes, from the A. and A. S. Rite.

There is no report from the Committee on Correspondence. There are twenty-one Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 1219. The *M. W. THOMAS* N. WILLIAMS was elected Grand Master and the *R. W. WILLIAM S. HAYES* was re-elected Grand Secretary.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the "ten mile square" reservation sends us the "proceedings for the year 1876." He could not better designate the pamphlet, for our friends in the little District can almost hear each other's watch tick. They have so many "Special Communications" of their Grand Lodge that the Annual one is thrown completely in the background and almost squeezed out entirely. Thus we have the result of "Specials:" on February sixth, ninth, and twenty-third; March eighth and twenty-ninth; April twelfth and twenty-sixth; May third; September nineteenth; October twenty-second; November twenty-seventh, 1876, and January third, 1877. All these, besides a Semi-Annual Communication on May tenth, 1876, and a Stated one on January tenth, 1877. Some of these "Specials" were to attend funerals, and some to revise their Constitutions. We find nothing in them of special interest to the outside Craft.

The Annual Communication was held in the city of Washington on the eighth day of November, 1876,—the *M. W. I. L. JOHNSON*, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W. WILLIAM R. SINGLETON* being Grand Secretary. Twenty out of the twenty-one Lodges in the district were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is a brief but interesting paper. He had issued but one dispensation during the year for the establishment of a new Lodge, and that was one that was to work in the German language. The Grand Master hesitated considerably as to the propriety of this dispensation, but the subsequent action of the Lodge satisfied him that his action was correct. In our jurisdiction we have Lodges working in the French, German, and Italian languages, and the brethren are all "good men and true."

Two Past Grand Masters, *ROGER C. WEIGHTMAN* and *J. E. F. HOLWOOD*, had ceased from Masonic work during the year. Of the first named, who had arrived at the ripe age of eighty-nine, the Grand Master thus speaks:—

On the second day of February last, Bro. *ROGER C. WEIGHTMAN*, Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, departed this life in the eighty-ninth year of his age. For sixty-five years his name was borne upon the roll of membership of *Lebanon Lodge, No. 7*. In the early part of his Masonic life, he labored actively and zealously to advance the interests of our fraternity, and to promote the welfare of the Craft. Although physical afflictions and declining years compelled him to cease from the active duties of the Lodge, yet his devotion to Masonry, and his solicitude for her welfare, was unabated even down to the time of his death. His social qualities, business integrity, and dignified character commanded the respect and confidence of his brethren, and as an evidence of their appreciation of his Masonic excellence, they called him to the position of Grand Master, which he filled with great advantage to the Craft, and in a manner that was in strict keeping with his dignified character.

In the social and political walks of life, Bro. *WEIGHTMAN* enjoyed in a remarkable degree the confidence and esteem of his fellow-citizens, and was by them entrusted with positions of trust and responsibility. He was a native of Alexandria, Va., took up his residence in this city in 1801, served as an officer in a cavalry company during the war of 1812, and at the close of the war accepted a commission in the militia of the District of Columbia. At the time of *LAFAYETTE'S* visit to this country he held the commission of brigadier-general, and after the death of Gen. *WALTER JONES*, major-general commanding, Gen. *WEIGHTMAN* succeeded him as major-general, which position he held at the time of his death. In 1824 he was elected Mayor of the city of Washington; re-elected in 1826, and continued to hold the office until 1827, when he resigned, to accept the position of cashier in the Bank of Washington. This latter office he held from 1827 to 1834, when declining health compelled him to resign. His

administration as Mayor of this city was looked upon as a model one for prudence and economy, and upon it much of the prosperity of the city is indebted. Subsequent to his resignation of the office of cashier in the Bank of Washington he was engaged as a clerk in the Patent Office, and was for many years Librarian of the Interior Department.

Throughout his whole career as a public officer, even in the midst of political excitements and party strifes and jealousies, Bro. WEIGHTMAN enjoyed an unsullied reputation, and no one could breathe the slightest whisper against his political integrity or against his private character. The whole life and character of Bro. WEIGHTMAN was, in all respects, such as to endear him to all who had the good fortune to be acquainted with him. His life and character are deserving of our imitation.

The Grand Lodge instructed the Committee on Correspondence that their report should not exceed eighty pages in length. Turning to the report we find it is just *seventy-nine and a half* pages long, and so the worthy brother who wrote it violated no edict of the Grand Lodge; but putting such a limit upon the labors of our good brother looks, in a literary point of view, like the instructions of a certain shoddy millionaire as to the fitting up of his library. He wanted three feet of red-backed books, four feet of olive, etc. What was inside of the books was a matter of no concern to him.

The portraits of all the Past Grand Masters were ordered, the same not to cost over fifty dollars each. A cheap article, that, unless it should be a photograph.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of the Grand Secretary, and is as full a review of the proceedings of fifty Grand Lodges as the worthy brother could get on his Procrustean bedstead of eighty pages. Bro. SINGLETON writes so well and pithily that we hate to see the lash of brevity held over his head. California is fully and genially noticed. Grand Master PERKINS and Grand Secretary ABELL are highly complimented for their reports, and Bro. SHAEFFER's lambskin recommendation is copied in full. Of the reports of the Masonic Board of Relief, Bro. S. thus beautifully expresses himself:—

Then follows a tabular statement of the amounts received in twenty years, viz., \$120,756 33, and disbursements, for charity, of \$120,332 66. Blessed, heaven-born charity! here in one jurisdiction, in one year, 148 persons from 45 different parts of the world were relieved by the judicious expenditure of \$8,699 87, (*i. e.*) an average of \$58½, which in all probability afford relief in most cases, where dire necessity compelled the recipients to apply for help, and no doubt prevented misery and want, and perhaps death in its most revolting form—and this is the institution some over-zealous church members would have abolished, because "*there is no Christ in it.*" And whom did His apostle say were his disciples? They who visit the fatherless and the widow in their afflictions. And He also said: "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was hungered, and ye gave me meat; I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me in," &c.

Bro. JANUARY's report receives its just due of merit; and as some brother had forwarded a copy of our report for 1876, Bro. S. pays us a higher compliment than we deserve, but shows his own faith in his assertion by copying large portions of the report. Thanks, Bro. SINGLETON, and may you find our present effort also worthy of your perusal and notice.

We are asked, "Does Bro. HILL mean to say that in California a Master of an old Lodge can be made from one who never served as a Warden?"

We answer yes, and it is often done. And furthermore, there is nothing in our Constitution or edicts that prevents the election as Grand Master of one who is not a Past Master, but only a worthy Master Mason. But this last has never yet been done, whatever may be the case in the future.

There are twenty-one Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 2778. The M. W. E. G. DAVIS was elected Grand Master and the R. W. WILLIAM R. SINGLETON was re-elected Grand Secretary.

FLORIDA.

The Grand Lodge of Florida commenced its forty-eighth Annual Communication in the city of Jacksonville on the ninth day of January, 1877,—the M. W. EXOS

WASGATE, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. DEWITT C. DAWKINS being Grand Secretary. Representatives were present from fifty-one Lodges.

The Address of the Grand Master, a well-written document, duly expresses its acknowledgments to Divine Providence for the blessings of the year. He presented a fine eulogy upon the character and work of Masonry, and then proceeded to give an account of his stewardship for the year. He had visited officially twenty-one of the Lodges in the jurisdiction, explaining and exemplifying the work in all.

Under very peculiar circumstances he had relieved, at his urgent request, a brother from further service as Master, he being about to leave the State, and had authorized the Lodge to choose a successor. This action was disapproved by the Grand Lodge, as being in conflict with its Constitution. Dispensations had been granted for two new Lodges.

In two cases he had sanctioned the proceedings of Lodges in electing as Master brethren who had not served as Wardens. Why not permit the brethren to elect the best man at all times, even if he be a private? Such is our rule, and it works well. Better a true man than a poor stick of a Warden to preside over the work of the Lodge.

Our worthy brother takes none too high ground as to the worth of Masonry, and we would that every brother, and especially officer, would always exemplify the following tenets of Masonry in his daily life :—

From our Masonic standpoint as a system of morality, it is not only a duty, but a privilege, to contemplate our country and discover, if we can, the leading and most damaging views of the day, and bring the force of our system into operation against them, especially as they may have entered our own circles. In discharging this duty and exercising this privilege, we cannot fail to discover, with shame and sorrow, that the excessive and intemperate use of intoxicating drinks is among the foremost of their vices, and alas! as we shall discover it among the nation's vices, so shall we also discover that it has made its insidious entry into our own ranks. In view of this fact, I here raise my voice and call upon you who have been chosen to rule and govern, as well as the whole Craft, to hold aloft that grand cardinal virtue, Temperance, and insist upon its observance and constant practice, for it is not less essential to the perfect Ashlar of Masonic character than its coherent sisters, Prudence, Fortitude, and Justice, and, by the maintenance of these alone, can we develope a Craft celebrated for its sobriety, integrity, and moral beauty, and for its acknowledged usefulness.

In one case of appeal, where it was but too evident that Lodge power had been used to punish and crush a brother, rather than do him strict justice, and when every step, from first to last, was grossly unjust and unmasonic, the Grand Lodge properly reversed the decision and ordered a new trial.

A Past Grand Master's jewel was presented to Past Grand Master ALBERT J. RUSSELL, and eloquent speeches made in the presentation and response.

The Grand Master, in his Address, referred to the Report of the Committee on Correspondence, but we find none in the proceedings. Why lieth idle the eloquent pen of Bro. DAWKINS?

A special Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in Jacksonville on February the twenty-fifth, to attend the funeral of the M. W. SAMUEL BENEZER, Past Grand Master.

There are seventy-one Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 2154. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were unanimously re-elected.

GEORGIA.

The ninetieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Georgia was held in the city of Macon on the thirty-first day of October, 1876,—the M. W. DAVID E. BUTLER, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. J. EMMETT BLACKSHEAR being Grand Secretary. Two hundred and forty-seven Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master's Address is mainly noted for its brevity, for it does not occupy three pages of the proceedings. The cities on the seaboard had suffered greatly from the pestilence, and the Lodges therein had shared fully in the same. The other

Lodges, he tells us, "have enjoyed the privileges of the Craft in peace and in good health." The "Southern Masonic Female College" is commended to a more general and practical support than it had theretofore received. The committee of the Grand Lodge to whom this matter was referred submitted an able report in favor of the Grand Master's Address, but a few paper resolutions was the only result: one to appropriate \$5000 was lost.

The Committee on Grievances do not believe in the waste of ink. Their report on thirty-three cases occupies only three pages and a half.

We were glad to see a proper appreciation of that valuable work, "Practical Masonic Lectures," the production of the venerable Past Grand Master, SAMUEL LAWRENCE. A copy was to be furnished to each Lodge, at the expense of the Grand Lodge.

BRO. SAMUEL LAWRENCE submitted a very brief report from the Committee on Correspondence, in which California is kindly mentioned. The Grand Lodge refused to appoint a committee for the coming year.

There are three hundred and seven Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 14,475. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

IDAHO.

The Grand Lodge of Idaho commenced its ninth Annual Communication in Boise City on the twelfth day of September, 1876,—the M. W. J. W. GRIFFITH, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. CHARLES HIMROD being Grand Secretary. Ten chartered Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is a model of brevity, occupying only two pages of the proceedings. He paid a merited tribute to the memory of his immediate predecessor, M. W. L. P. MICKELSON, who, under mental aberration, committed suicide. He complained of an infringement of jurisdictional rights by a Lodge in Minnesota, which conferred the Entered Apprentice degree on a resident of Idaho while temporarily visiting Minnesota.

The Grand Lodge voted to withdraw further recognition of the Grand Orient of Hungary, because the same was an offshoot of the Grand Orient of France. The so-called "Grand Lodge of Ontario" was duly and properly snubbed.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bro. O. H. PURDY, who apologizes for this "maiden" effort. It is a well-written review of the proceedings of forty-eight Grand Lodges, our own for 1875 being one. Our brother is highly complimentary of the Address of Grand Master PERKINS, but thinks our distinction between a dimit and a recommendatory certificate is too fine.

Notwithstanding the learned plea of our good brother, we are inclined to the belief that common-sense is still on the side of California. A *dimit* is the right of a brother, where dues are paid, and who is not under Masonic censure. The Lodge cannot withhold it from him, nor should it. Better open the door wide for malcontents and mischief-makers to walk out and stay out. If the withdrawing brother, however, is a good man and Mason, possessing and deserving the favor of his Lodge, it is but right that he should ask and they grant a recommendatory certificate to the departing one, to any Lodge in a jurisdiction where he may thereafter reside. This is granted in our Lodges by a majority vote, or refused if there be less than a majority. If then a brother will not ask for, or does not receive, such a certificate from his former fellow-workers, it is *prima facie* evidence that he was not deserving thereof. His naked *dimit* then has a cloud upon it, which he should remove before asking other Lodges to receive one who, perhaps, has been only a "troubler in Israel." We trust Bro. PURDY will see that this is not a "distinction without a difference," but that our Grand Master and Grand Lodge were right.

Upon the refusal of Grand Master PERKINS to grant permission to appear in public procession on the Fourth of July, Bro. PURDY has these pithy remarks:—

It is quite observable to the uninitiated even, that those who are decked off with all the gewgaws, supposed to be Masonic emblems, which the inventive genius of a merchant tailor or jeweler can devise, are those most in favor of, and are generally the first to appear at, a public procession; and it is quite as observable also to the brotherhood, that the same class are known to practice least the intrinsic virtues taught in the Lodge room, and who longest detain the committee of examination. These vain ones forget, if their "hearts ever conceived" that it is the "internal and not the external qualifications" that prepare a man and make him worthy to appear in a procession as a Mason. As to making a public display of Masonic emblems, we are not much in favor of it; however, we are willing to leave it entirely with the vanity of the wearer, not being desirous of depriving them of *every* means of making themselves known to their unknown brethren.

The productions of Bros. HAIGHT and JANUARY are highly eulogized, as they well deserve to be.

Though traveling somewhat out of our bailiwick, we could not help clipping these plain spoken words, suggested by one of the decisions of the North Carolina Grand Master:—

We have seen so much of this "daub work" in Masonry that has come to us on the Pacific coast, that we are pleased to acknowledge such sentiments as those expressed above, and coming from an eastern brother.

Instances are not uncommon, where persons contemplating emigration to the far West have been ground out from the raw material to a full-developed Master Mason, through a dispensation, we suppose, in one night; the next day, perhaps, secured passage in an ox team and traveled the "plains across," landing in some of our western towns, embellished with a square and compass, in size and conspicuousness sufficient to excite the envy of the hand-bills of a coming circus, claiming full recognition and the privileges and benefits attendant; but when put to the test of an examination, the best the poor unfortunate can do is to give a few "signs" and a pocket-worn receipt for dues. For this neglect the stranger is not so much to blame as he who marked the ashlar "as a stone made ready by the hands of the workmen." Such hastily turned-off work seldom see any beauty in Masonry, but fully verify the adage, that "a little learning is a dangerous thing," without a possible chance of the benefit of that other, that "part of a loaf is better than no bread."

There are eleven Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 389. The M. W. E. A. STEVENSON was elected Grand Master and the R. W. CHARLES HIMROD was re-elected Grand Secretary.

ILLINOIS.

The thirty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Illinois commenced its sessions in the city of Chicago on the third day of October, 1876,—the R. W. JOSEPH ROBBINS, Deputy Grand Master, presiding, in the absence of the Grand Master, on account of illness, and the R. W. JOHN F. BURRILL being Grand Secretary. There were present representatives from six hundred and thirty-two Lodges, and all the business of the Grand Lodge, including the election of officers, was transacted in three days.

The acting Grand Master had only been in charge of the Craft for two months, and as no Address was received from Grand Master LOUNSBURY, (absent from the State), Bro. ROBBINS had but few items to lay before the Grand Lodge. Of the absence, sickness, and needs of the Grand Master we have these items:—

But as we stand here rejoicing in our strength, we do not forget the beloved brother in his weakness, the Grand Master of our choice, who, in enforced exile, is seeking health beneath milder skies; but from every heart goes up a prayer for his restoration to his brethren, and to his wife and little ones who watch for his coming with love's wistful eyes.

Grand Master LOUNSBURY continued to perform the duties of his office long after his strength had ceased to be equal to the task, when, in the latter part of July, his health became so much impaired that he was compelled to relinquish them, and, acting under the imperative orders of his physicians, to leave the jurisdiction and seek relief in the mountain air of Colorado.

Soon after my succession to the duties of the Grand Mastership, it came to my knowledge that, from the abrupt abandonment of his business under the pressure of a necessity that would admit of no delay, not only were his financial affairs in such a condition as to make the consequent mental anxiety a serious present hindrance to

his recovery, but in such condition as to forbid his absence for a period long enough to insure any permanent benefit. The details of the financial situation were such as to require more speedy action than an appeal to the Lodges alone could secure.

The emergency was so pressing that, with the unanimous advice and consent of my colleagues of the Charity Committee, I determined to disregard the statutory limitation as to the amount to be appropriated in any given case during the recess of the Grand Lodge; and accordingly, on the twentieth day of August, I drew on the Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge for five hundred dollars. This has been paid out for the relief of Bro. LOUNSBURY, on drafts which are herewith submitted as vouchers.

This action, which is submitted for your consideration, was supplemented by an appeal to the constituent Lodges for further aid, issued from the Grand East on the thirtieth day of August. The response to this appeal has been prompt and liberal, but the returns are not yet so complete as to indicate the final aggregate. I trust it may be sufficient to enable our Grand Master to prolong his stay where alone there seems to be any hope of his recovery, and where, at latest advices, his physicians gave him encouragement to hope a prolonged sojourn might secure it.

In the absence of the address of the Grand Master, which, though hourly expected, has not yet arrived, I can lay before you only a partial report of the work of the year, pertaining to this office; that portion only which covers the period of two months which have passed since I succeeded to its duties.

During the Communication this telegram was received from the Grand Master, who was at Denver, Colorado: "Too ill to write. Kindest love to all the brethren." To this, by order of the Grand Lodge, an answer was returned as follows: "The Grand Lodge sends assurance of its warmest sympathy and of heartfelt wishes for your restoration."

In communicating certain papers relative to the pseudo Grand Lodge of Ontario, the acting Grand Master had these plain and outspoken words:—

Application for recognition and an exchange of representatives has been received from a body styling itself the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Ontario, having its pretended seat of government at London, in that Province.

From an accompanying document, it appears that the following provision has been incorporated into the constitution of this new body:

"In case of the sickness of any brother, disqualifying him from labor, three dollars per week is to be appropriated by the Lodge to which he belongs, for his sustenance; and in case of the death of any brother, fifty dollars is to be appropriated by the Grand Lodge for the benefit of his widow and orphans, if any."

The Grand Lodge of Canada, with which we are in fraternal correspondence, and which is everywhere recognized as a sovereign body, already fully occupies the territory of the Province of Ontario; but were it not so, the Grand Lodge of Illinois could not enter into fraternal relations with an organization which, by the incorporation of the above-quoted provision into its organic law, had already taken itself out of the category of Masonic bodies.

The doctrine on which that provision is based is utterly subversive of the principles and groundwork of Masonry, and the provision itself at once converts the society built upon it into a mutual benefit society, with which Masonry can have nothing in common until it shall have lost those grand characteristics which distinguish it as a charitable, instead of an insurance association.

That in recent years we have been drifting in a mercenary direction, and coming to make Masonry more and more a matter of dollars and cents, cannot be doubted, nor can any thoughtful brother view without alarm the increasing tendency in this direction.

Heretofore these tendencies have manifested themselves only in such ways as to make their repression by legislative action difficult; but now that they have culminated in this revolutionary innovation, attempted by a body otherwise so revolutionary as to compel action with reference to it, I trust that the Grand Lodge of Illinois, while recognizing in unmistakable terms the jurisdictional rights of the Grand Lodge of Canada, will in terms no less unmistakable emphasize its determination to hold no intercourse with any self-styled Masonic body whose organic law is a denial of that fundamental principle of Masonry, which more than any other is characteristic and vital.

It is not difficult to conjecture at what body, outside of Masonry, this bull is fulminated. Our brother may be right in his views of what Masonry is or what it is not, but we confess to a little leaning in another direction, and express our individual belief, which commits no one but the writer, that somewhat of that "Mutual Relief" business, well grounded, would not hurt Masonry in any jurisdiction. Aid

which is confessedly eleemosynary, is often rejected by brethren from a sense of pride, when the same was actually needed by the suffering brother or his family. Can not this rock in the channel of our benevolence be avoided in some way? We ask the question with diffidence, and beg that we may not be demolished by Bro. ROBBINS's sledge hammer for our presumption.

An act, establishing a "Home for Worthy Indigent Master Masons, their Widows and Orphans," was sent down to the subordinate Lodges, for action at their stated meetings in December. If adopted, we hope it will be made a live affair, as our Illinois brethren are capable of making it.

Postal cards must not be used hereafter in this jurisdiction for the conveyance of the knowledge of any Masonic work, but only in the notification of meetings.

The Report on Masonic Correspondence was submitted by Bro. THEODORE T. GURNEY. He labored under the disadvantage of being the successor of Bro. ROBBINS, who for years had been the DRUMMOND of Illinois; but the report is creditable to his judgment, though far more the work of the scissors than of the pen. Bro. GURNEY can write so well when he tries that we wished more of his own sayings than we find. The opening paragraphs of the report are worthy of perusal and consideration:—

Looking over the field, we find much to encourage, with but little that is condemnatory. Particularly have we noticed the commendable determination to place Masonry upon a higher plane of usefulness.

Grand Masters are out-spoken and fearless; and it is with pleasure that we place upon record the conviction that, in the near future, an applicant for Masonic honors will not only be obliged to express a belief in the existence of one "Great Creator," but will also be required to give "cardinal virtues" an emphatic endorsement, before crossing the portals of a Lodge. The good work in this direction is having rapid development, and we fully believe that naught can hinder an early consummation of our best intentions but an over-anxious desire to make Masons.

We will not attempt a concealment of our apprehension on this point. Lodges are not alone responsible. Many Grand Masters, though zealous for good, are inclined to look to numerical strength as necessary to giving the Craft a prominence that shall meet our expectations in securing for our Fraternity a prominent place with kindred organizations, in conserving the interests of our race.

We think they err; for we find in nearly every Grand Jurisdiction complaint of Lodges without strength or efficiency, and in many instances so defective in morals as to demand their extinction. We do not think it requires large discernment to see that the present indiscriminate authorization of new Lodges will lead to consequences which every good and true Craftsman will have ample cause to deplore.

Our brother gives an extended and favorable notice to California, making long extracts from the Address of Grand Master PERKINS. On the right of visitation he dissents from our Grand Master, and is thus emphatic in his expressions:—

In regard to No. 2, we say, emphatically, No. Although there may be no local law on the subject, nevertheless there is a *fraternal* law that utters unqualified condemnation. As we understand Masonry, the right of visitation is inherent. This right cannot be impaired except for *good cause*. When I apply for admission to a Lodge, the first question to determine is my Masonic character. If found worthy, I am entitled to all fraternal courtesies, including the right of visitation, provided there is no objection on the part of any brother member of the Lodge; even then, it is the right and duty of the Master to determine the validity of the objection.

We feel very much as our good brother does, that such *should* be the law, but the construction and practice are almost uniformly in the direction indicated by our Grand Master.

Liberal quotations are also made from the address of Bro. HAIGHT, and the report of Bro. JANUARY is commended as "concise and interesting." There are six hundred and ninety-six Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 44,472. The M. W. JOSEPH ROBBINS was elected Grand Master and the R. W. JOHN F. BURRILL was re-elected Grand Secretary.

INDIANA.

The sixtieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Indiana was held in the city of Indianapolis on the twenty-second day of May, 1877,—the M. W. FRANK S.

DEVOL, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JOHN M. BRAMWELL being Grand Secretary. Four hundred and eighty Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master DEVOL is long, occupying forty pages of the proceedings. Very much of it is taken up with the discussion of difficulties with various Lodges, which seem, in this jurisdiction, to be referred to the Grand Master more frequently than elsewhere. In fact, he seems to be a sort of *quasi* trial commission about half of his time. One case was that of a Lodge trying to keep a Master Mason's widow out of a large sum loaned to it by her husband. The details are of local interest merely, but we must say that the Lodge made a poor showing for its non-action, and deserved the censures of the Grand Master. In another case a Lodge was hauled over the coals for passing and raising a candidate "engaged at the time in selling liquor," which is a Masonic curse in Indiana of late years. It appeared in evidence that the Lodge, as such, was in ignorance of the change of the laws in that respect. So the Master who did know the law was made the scape-goat, and was suspended from his office. The temperance bird flies high in the Hoosier State. Dispensations had been issued for fourteen new Lodges.

"*Western Star* Lodge, No. 28," was "suspended from all Masonic functions" for about as bull-headed a defiance of law and Masonic edicts as could well be practiced by any Lodge. Here is a specimen, as reported by the Grand Master's special deputy:—

I read my commission to them a second time, when several sneeringly remarked that anybody could write such a document as that, and doubted very much if it ever emanated from the Grand Master. I was compelled to appeal to the Worshipful Master for protection against further insults. A series of resolutions were then offered and adopted, which were ordered forwarded to you, and which you will have received by the time this reaches you. I then informed them that the resolutions would have no weight with me, as I had positive instructions to do one of two things—to bring the amount due the Grand Lodge, or bring the charter. They then informed me I must not attempt to take away their charter, threatening me with violence if I did; at least one good brother stated he would fight before he would see the charter taken away. Having no other alternative, and every request of mine being met with stout opposition, I retired after the Lodge closed, without attempting to force the matter, and to avoid violence, intending to make my report accordingly. The following morning, thinking their tempers had somewhat cooled, and hoping better judgment would prevail, I called upon the Worshipful Master and again requested him to turn over the charter and Lodge effects to me; but, instead of complying, he flatly refused to do anything of the kind, and told me I might report him to the Grand Master; he did not care, guessed he would live all the same. He informed me the Senior Warden and several brothers had taken the charter out of the frame in which it was hanging, for the purpose of concealing it, but he took it in his own hands and carried it home with him, where it then was.

The Grand Lodge gave the rebellious Lodge ninety more days in which to pay up and make the amende-honorable, in default of which it must die.

In order to determine how far Lodges were in the habit of "disregarding the Grand Lodge Rules and Regulations" the Grand Master issued to each a series of twenty-eight questions, covering nearly every conceivable violation. Answers were received from four hundred and sixty-one Lodges, and the delinquencies, more or less grave, foot up *three hundred and eighty-seven*. Besides this, "one hundred and forty-nine Lodges permit their members to use intoxicating liquors as a beverage, several of whom are also permitted to manufacture and sell the same." We cannot but doubt the utility of such inquisitorial demands, or the statistics when published. But it is a local matter, and our Indiana brethren must manage their matters to suit themselves.

The total liabilities of the Grand Lodge, mainly growing out of the erection of a Masonic Temple, amount to \$104,666 67, of which \$24,125 must be liquidated very soon.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is again from the able pen of Bro. ELISHA L. MCLALLEN, and is a full review of the proceedings of fifty Grand Lodges. California for 1876 receives kindly and liberal notice. Bro. MCLALLEN agrees with

Grand Master BROWNE's views relative to the deceased brothers whose dues were forwarded while he was alive, but did not reach the Lodge until after his death, and dissents from the Jurisprudence Committee and the Grand Lodge in overruling the decision of the Grand Master. We felt, ourselves, that the letter of the law was as stated, but it is hard to keep one's heart from overruling his head in such a peculiarly hard case, and so we voted with the majority.

Bro. ABELL is highly complimented for his "model report;" Bro. BONTE for his "excellent address," and ourself for—no matter what; thanks, however, to our good brother, and may he wield the reportorial pen as long as he can make as good a report as this.

There are five hundred and nineteen Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 28,161. The *M. W.* ANDREW J. HAY was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* JOHN M. BRAMWELL was re-elected Grand Secretary.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

The second Annual Communication of this young but enterprising Grand Lodge was commenced in the town of Caddo on the fifth day of September, 1876,—the *M. W.* GRANVILLE McPHERSON, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* RUFUS P. JONES being Grand Secretary. Seven Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master, though only supervising the action of as many brethren as may be found in one of our San Francisco Lodges, gives us an Address of considerable length, filling up the vacuum of little work and few decisions with some very whole some advice to the Fraternity. Here, for instance, are some questions asked, which would suffice for the "self-examination" of Masons elsewhere:—

Brethren, have you ever, in any way, knowingly wronged or injured a brother Mason? Have you, to his face, spoken a word to wound his feelings, or behind his back made a remark that could put a stain upon his good name? Have you failed to come to his assistance and support him in his falling fortunes, or to whisper good counsel in his ear and warn him of impending danger? Have you turned away from him in his hour of distress, or forgotten the duties you owe to his widow and orphans? Have you ever cheated him out of the value of a cent, or willfully permitted it to be done by others? In short, have you ever acted, in any way whatever toward a brother Mason, or before the world, other than an honest, upright man? If so, then you are not a "true Mason," but a hypocrite, sailing under false colors. A man is a Mason or he is not, and he who has passed through our ceremonies and then prostitutes the dignity of his station by the gross neglect of the plain and imperative duties devolving upon him, is as much of an impostor as he who gains admission among us without going through the formalities of initiation in a regular Lodge. And, my brethren, let me warn you against the danger of allowing these too frequent violations of our Masonic obligations to go unpunished. Reproach and disgrace must be the ultimate result.

The Grand Master, in common with nearly every other Grand Master in the United States, expresses the hope that the Grand Lodge of Ohio will refrain from its proposed action relative to the "African Grand Lodge," and let all such disturbing topics severely alone. He had granted dispensations for the formation of two new Lodges. All the Lodges in the Territory had acknowledged the Grand Lodge, except two, one at Fort Gibson, and the other in the Flint district—both within the bounds of the Cherokee nation. After much and fruitless correspondence, the Grand Master thinks further forbearance would be undignified, and recommends prompt and positive action. The Grand Lodge responded by passing this resolution, which will probably bring things to a crisis:—

Resolved, By the *M. W.* Grand Lodge of the Indian Territory, that the charters of *Alpha* Lodge at Fort Gibson, C. N., and *Flint* Lodge, in Flint District, C. N., are hereby arrested for failing to comply with the Laws, Rules, and Edicts of this *M. W.* Grand Lodge, and that any work done, or meetings held by either of said Lodges in the future, after receiving notice of this action of the *M. W.* Grand Lodge, is hereby declared illegal and clandestine.

One of the "decisions" of the Grand Master was this: "The word 'Order' should not be applied to the Masonic Fraternity." We concur, and hope that the one-half

of Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries, "more or less," who use that word habitually, will "please take notice and govern themselves accordingly."

Here is another gentle hint, which we pass on for the benefit of all transgressors:—

In looking over the proceedings of some of our sister Grand Lodges, I have been perfectly astonished, and not only that, but heartily ashamed, to see so many eminent, and in every other respect, worthy Grand Secretaries dealing to such an extent in the use of "slang phrases." This I consider a habit to be very much deplored, as anything of this kind, however pardonable it might be under other circumstances, is entirely out of place in the proceedings of a Grand Lodge. I mention this not as a hint to our eminent and efficient Grand Secretary, for I know he is as much opposed to it as I am, but merely to put myself on the record against it.

The Grand Lodge refused to pass a resolution declaring that no brother should be elected Master unless he had served as Junior or Senior Warden. The Grand Lodge adopted "the most approved esoteric work and lectures of the State of Arkansas as the authorized work of this Grand Lodge." And yet the Grand Lodge of Arkansas defers acknowledgment of the Masonic standing of its young sister and neighbor. Why is this?

The Grand Secretary was allowed one hundred dollars for his year's services. Not much fear of his becoming a "bloated aristocrat" on that salary.

They have no Committee on Correspondence in this jurisdiction. There are eight Lodges, with a membership of one hundred and ninety six. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

IOWA.

The proceedings or "annals," as Bro. Grand Secretary PARVIN prefers to call them, at the thirty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, come to us in a beautifully illustrated volume of two hundred and fifty pages, gotten up in the highest style of the printers' and engravers' art, and adorned with the portraits of three of the Grand Masters of the jurisdiction. Since Bro. PARVIN abandoned that horrible style of designating Lodges by parallelograms, he has greatly improved in his typography, until it would be difficult to exceed the specimen before us. The Communication was held in the city of Davenport on the fifth day of June, 1877,—the M. W. HENRY WILLIAM ROTHERT, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. THEODORE S. PARVIN being Grand Secretary. Two hundred and seventy-two Lodges were represented.

The sessions were held in the "Bortis Opera House," to which the Grand Lodge was escorted in grand style by the Knights Templar of two Commanderies.

The Address of the Grand Master is somewhat ambitious in style, but still well written, long, and interesting in its discussion of the many topics touched upon. He apologizes for what he thinks is its want of completeness and fullness (though few readers would ever detect that,) by a summons to attend, at a distance from his Iowa home, the death-bed of his aged mother.

He regretted his inability to attend the Massachusetts centennial, but sent a well written and appropriate toast for the banquet. He had granted dispensations for the formation of seven new Lodges and had rejected the applications for nine more, giving cogent reasons for his refusal. Two charters had been arrested for gross unmasonic conduct of the Lodges.

The Grand Master must be a great lover of poetry, for we have nearly a dozen quotations from standard authors in his Address; even so common-place an affair as the dedication of a new hall is thus honored.

On the subject of presenting a lamb-skin or white apron to each initiate, with his name, etc., thereon, the Grand Master is as enthusiastic as is our own Bro. SHAEFFER, and we cannot say more than that.

Trouble is brewing between Iowa and the Grand Lodge of Scotland similar to the Missouri case, upon which we commented last year. A citizen of Iowa, of Scotch

birth, while attending medical lectures in Edinburgh, was persuaded by some zealous friends to be made a Mason in *Cannongate Kilwinning* Lodge, No. 2. Upon his return to Iowa he sought affiliation with one of its Lodges. His application was of course refused and the case reported to the Grand Master. The Grand Secretary, by his direction, wrote to the Grand Secretary of Scotland, (Bro. LAURIE), who has made himself rather notorious by *not* acknowledging the receipt of letters from American Grand Lodges. But it appears that, instead of sending the letter to the Grand Master, for whom it was intended, he forwarded it to the Master of the offending Lodge, who himself replies to Bro. PARVIN in a style that we wish our readers to see; so we copy the epistle, as containing also the prevalent idea of jurisdictional rights as viewed by the Grand Lodge of Scotland, or at least by one of its subordinates who appears to have been deputed to speak for it:—

41 QUEEN STREET, Edinburgh, 6 Oct. 1876.

T. S. PARVIN, Esq., *Grand Secretary to the Grand Lodge of Iowa, in Iowa City:*

SIR AND BROTHER:—The Grand Secretary to the Grand Lodge of Scotland, Bro. LAURIE, has read to-day a communication to me as coming from you, complaining that Bro. LAURIE allowed a gentleman from Iowa to be initiated, passed, and raised in the Lodge *Cannongate Kilwinning*, of this city, against the laws of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, as claiming jurisdiction over all Iowa subjects. Mr. LAURIE will, I hope, sufficiently explain to you what the Masons all over the world—Iowa, and perhaps some other American States excepted—understand and strictly uphold under Masonic jurisdiction, and also tell you that the Grand Lodge of Scotland, according to its laws, has no power whatsoever to hinder a Master under its jurisdiction from making a worthy man a Freemason, to whatever country he may belong. Having the honor of filling the chair of the ancient Lodge *Cannongate Kilwinning*, No. 2, I consider it my duty to complain of the ill treatment which our worthy brother, Dr. HUGHES, has received from you, according to your own statement, for it is an abuse of Masonic power, in usage all over the world, not to acknowledge and receive a brother Mason who can in every way legitimate himself as such, simply because he, as a native of the State, has joined or entered first a foreign Lodge. Such a conception of jurisdiction, claiming the outer world to be under its sway, and setting at defiance the laws and usages of all the Grand Orients in other countries, is incomprehensible to me, and shows a total misunderstanding of the true spirit of Masonry,—of its universal brotherhood, which admits and receives every brother, from whatever Grand Lodge he may have his legitimation.

The Lodge *Cannongate Kilwinning* is older than the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and certainly much older than all the Masonic institutions in Iowa. We have, therefore, a traditional experience and working which we consider, and are pleased to hold, as genuine Freemasonry, and I have found that no foreigner belonging to our Lodge has ever met the slightest obstacle in visiting or joining Lodges of his native country.

Our Lodge is known and respected all over the Masonic world, and no younger Lodge has ever found fault with anything that proceeded from us. Keeping thus within the bounds of the general rules of Freemasonry, and advocating no laws in our Grand Lodge that are subversive to true universal brotherhood, with no respect to country, you will not expect us to keep a law, made in Iowa, which, in point of jurisdiction, is not binding on us, and which we consider unmasonic, and indeed unworkable. May I ask whether the foreigners in America, especially in Iowa State, are not allowed to be made Masons there, but are sent across the Atlantic to their native country to be made Masons there? I have proof that this is not done; for in our Lodge are several affiliated members, natives of Scotland, who received the degrees in Lodges of the United States. We have nothing to say against it, and no Grand Lodge in Europe and elsewhere will protest against it: but your law is not in harmony with your practice because it is not workable.

I therefore beg to declare, with all due respect, that we shall continue to make all good men from Iowa Masons in our Lodge, and give you full liberty to do the same in regard to Scotsmen living in Iowa.

I request you to be so good as to communicate this letter to Bro. D. HUGHES, that he may see he has not illegally been made a Mason in our Lodge, but fully answering to our laws and the universal custom of Freemasonry, and that his mother Lodge will protect him in his Masonic rights.

I am, Sir and Brother, fraternally yours,

J. SHOPP,

R. W. M. of the Lodge Cannongate Kilwinning, No. 2.

We need not say that this officious, not to say offensive, epistle was *not* satisfactory, either to the Grand Secretary or Grand Master of Iowa. Meanwhile a change

in the Grand Secretary's office in Scotland had taken place. Bro. D. MURRAY LYON (of another stamp entirely) having succeeded the reticent LAURIE, Bro. PARVIN addressed another letter, not to the ambitious "SHOPP," but to the Grand Master, in which the claims and rights of Iowa are fully and ably discussed. We give the conclusion of this admirable letter. He says:—

The regulations of this Grand Lodge provide, (1) that all citizens must apply for initiation to the Lodge nearest their residence, that body being better able to judge of his fitness to be made a Mason; (2) that any one receiving the degrees in another jurisdiction, in violation of this law, must first be "healed." If such is not substantially the law in Scotland, then I have read to no purpose that most interesting and invaluable work, by your own enlightened countryman, "Freemasonry in Scotland," by DANIEL MURRAY LYON, who time and again refers to the law relative to "irregular admission," and points out the penalties inflicted for its infraction—always severe. I understand that the Lodge "*Cannongate*" claims exemption from this law because it is older than the Grand Lodge of Scotland. Now, there is not a land in the civilized world that has not Lodges older than the Grand Lodge. Four Lodges united in the Grand Lodge of England, and four in the organization of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, and three at least in every other English-speaking Grand Lodge; yet I have to learn that the constituent Lodges, though "older," are "better" than the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge of Iowa has no desire that punishment be visited upon the offending Lodge, nor to itself punish the young man and brother who, no doubt without proper reflection as to his course, has sought in a foreign land the light he could legally have received in the jurisdiction to which he belonged. It does, however, desire to uphold its authority and to maintain inviolate its jurisdictional rights, infringed in the case at bar.

While, for reasons best known to your Grand Secretary, we know nothing of your Grand Lodge through its own channels, the intelligent Masons of Iowa and the United States have long entertained for Scotch Masons and Lodges a profound respect, greatly heightened by the light shed by the historical work before alluded to. And notwithstanding the fact that our existence has been so long ignored, and our authority contravened by the Grand Lodge of Scotland and its subordinate Lodges and officers, the Grand Lodge of Iowa is not, I am happy to assure you, without a record and an honorable mention by the Grand Lodges and well-informed Masons throughout the world. It has published its records of the past thirty-three years in six large volumes, placed in the libraries of all the Grand Lodges of note the world over—in the public libraries of the nations and States. It has a large and valuable library, the catalogue of which alone makes a volume of one hundred and forty-four pages, upon whose shelves are found all the Masonic periodicals of the world since 1790, and all other Masonic works to be had for love or money. It numbers among its correspondents noted Masons of every clime, among whom I may mention with pride such men and Masons as your own LYON, (a lion among men), HUGHAN, WOODFORD, KENNING, FINDELL, and others.

Why, then, should the Grand Lodge of Scotland and its Grand Secretary, Bro. LAURIE, throw us out in the cold without notice—without hearing?

Trusting that your better judgment will order otherwise, I am instructed by our Grand Master (who is Lieutenant Governor of our State) to present you his most fraternal greeting and considerations of high respect, in which I beg personally to join.

Fraternally and truly,

T. S. PARVIN, *Grand Secretary.*

This letter was promptly answered by Grand Secretary LYON, who stated that he had laid it before the Grand Master, who transmitted it to the "Grand Committee." That body, which seems to have the work of the Grand Master in keeping, instructed the Grand Secretary to inform the Grand Lodge of Iowa that "the Grand Committee are not prepared to recommend the adoption of the rule to which the Grand Secretary of Iowa refers."

The committee of the Grand Lodge to which this subject was referred, submitted an able report and these resolutions, which were adopted:—

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be directed to signify to the Grand Lodge of Scotland that this Grand Lodge feels compelled, as a measure of protection which experience has shown to be necessary, to re-assert its laws in relation to jurisdiction, and that it fraternally requests that Grand Body to take such action as will prevent the making of Masons of persons from Iowa who are not *bona fide* residents of Scotland.

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge again forbids its Lodges to receive as visitors, or recognize as Masons, residents of Iowa made Masons outside of its own jurisdiction, until such persons shall have been duly healed.

It now remains to be seen whether the Grand Lodge of Iowa will "stand by its guns," or, like that of Missouri, will "march up the hill, and then march down again."

The Grand Secretary submitted several reports, as such and as Grand Librarian, He claims to be, with the exception of Bro. HOGG of New Jersey, the oldest Grand Secretary in office, and thus alludes to one feature of his promptness and fidelity in the work committed to him :—

My name has been officially attached to every dispensation, charter, or Masonic document issued from the office of the Grand Secretary, and the journal of proceedings of all the sessions of the Grand Lodge, prepared by myself during the thirty-three sessions past, since the organization of the Grand Lodge in 1844—for, during the term of my Grand Mastership, Brother HUMPHREYS, my Grand Secretary, (who succeeded me as Grand Master), neither prepared or published the proceedings. Nor have I ever been absent from a session, or late but once, when the steamboat on which I was going to Keokuk, in 1850, grounded and detained me a few hours.

The Grand Secretary pays feeling and eloquent tributes to the memory of the fraternal dead—particularly to Past Grand Master JOHN L. HOGINS, and to Grand Secretaries DOVE, of Virginia, and GOWLEY, of Missouri; and, by way of introduction to the eulogy of still another brother, relates this interesting anecdote, as showing the power of music to "soothe the angry spirits" of an excited Grand Lodge :—

The session of the Grand Lodge at Burlington, in June, 1860, will ever be recalled as the most memorable one in our history. The vexed question of "the work" had arrayed brother against brother, and the Grand Lodge was rocking upon its base. How strange that Masons should quarrel about a "word," as if the *ritual* were the end and aim of all that is good and great in Masonry. Yet so it was, has been, and we fear will be again, unless brethren will learn lessons of wisdom from the past.

At that session appeared, for the first and only time, a stranger to most of all present—a casual visitor, interested in the prosperity of the Order, and having a soul full of the harmony of sweet sounds. The poet and songster, OSSIAN E. DODGE, when the storm raged the thickest and loudest, set himself down to the organ (which some good brother, having an eye to the eternal fitness of things, had had brought into the hall), and commenced playing upon its pipes, and accompanied the instrument with a clear, melodious voice, in a Masonic song, in which many with one accord joined, and all was peace—"calm as to a night's repose"—for angry passions were stayed, and the Craft pursued their labors as if peace had forever reigned. Brothers who were present upon that occasion will not wonder that we here introduce the name of Bro. DODGE, whose brief visit among us was productive of such grand results. He has lately gone to his long home, and only the recollection of that day and hour is with us. Bro. DODGE was for many years a resident of St. Paul; was born in Cayuga, N. Y., in October, 1820, and died in London, England, in 1876, date not given. He spent the greater part on of his life in Massachusetts as a teacher of music, and made himself famous as a humorous singer, and traveled extensively, engaged in giving concerts, even making the tour of Europe, and amassed a fortune in his profession. At a later period he became the popular editor of the Boston "Museum," a literary paper of note. He was of rough exterior and brusque in his manners, yet possessed of many good qualities of head and heart, and those only would we remember, as we would our first interview with him.

We hope, if our own Grand Lodge ever finds itself in the same difficulty, that Bro. MAYER, our Grand Organist, will try the same remedy.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bro. WILLIAM B. LANGRIDGE, who begins by telling of the advice received from two brethren, as to its length—one said not over fifty pages, and the other wanted to condense the same to twenty. Bro. LANGRIDGE struck an intermediate line, and has given us a report of forty-four, so well written, that it makes us wish most heartily that he had not listened to those "economizers of good things. California for 1876 has its full share of this "condensed milk." Grand Master BROWNE's Address is highly complimented, and our own humble report well spoken of. We must correct Bro. LANGRIDGE on the compensation matter. The item quoted by him was for *mileage*, the writer living more than four hundred miles from San Francisco. If he had glanced

over the report of the Finance Committee, he would have seen that the usual compensation was allowed, which, though not as much as in some jurisdictions, is very fair and entirely acceptable to the writer.

There are three hundred and eighty Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 17,876. The *M. W.* ZEPHANIAH C. LUSE was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* THEODORE S. PARVIN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

KANSAS.

The Grand Lodge of Kansas commenced its twenty-first Annual Communication in the city of Emporia on the eighteenth day of October, 1876,—the *M. W.* ISAAC B. SHARP, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* JOHN H. BROWN being Grand Secretary. Ninety-seven Lodges were represented.

A special Communication was held in the city of Leavenworth, November the twentieth, 1875, for the purpose of attending the funeral of *M. W.* RICHARD R. REES, the first Grand Master of the jurisdiction. Glowing eulogies were passed upon the memory of the departed by the Grand Master and a committee of the Grand Lodge. The deceased was, undoubtedly, a man of mark, and was highly esteemed by all the Fraternity in Kansas.

At the Annual Communication Grand Master SHARP delivered an Address, which fills some twenty pages of the proceedings, but is none too long. He congratulates the Fraternity on the unanimity and harmony that have prevailed, there having been only one distressing event during the year. He had granted dispensations for the formation of seven new Lodges, but had persistently refused all applications for a shortening of the time in the conferring of degrees.

The "disturbing element" alluded to by the Grand Master, resulted in the suspension and final revocation of the charter of *Frankfort* Lodge, No. 67. A member of that Lodge was habitually guilty of one of the lowest and most debasing of crimes, and yet had such influence in the Lodge that it was impossible to discipline him, when found guilty. Even the edict of the Grand Lodge was disregarded. The offending brother boasted of his power, and habitually indulged in abuse of all who attempted to deal with him as he deserved. The Grand Lodge approved of the action of the Grand Master and expelled the brother from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. "And all the people say Amen!"

The so-called "Grand Lodge of Ontario" received the benefit of a first-rate notice, and the Grand Lodge concurred by declaring the same clandestine, and forbidding all Masonic intercourse with any one coming from that body.

In looking over the decisions of the Grand Master, we felt like holding up both hands in favor of the following:—

A man who is habitually addicted to the use of profane language is not a proper subject for the mysteries of Masonry, until a reformation in that respect takes place.

Wouldn't such an edict cause some shaking among the dry bones in this jurisdiction? The Grand Master closes by saying that he could not possibly serve another year, because he was about "following the advice of a certain philosopher, 'to go West.'" What would our forefathers have thought to hear a man living in Kansas talk about "going West?" But we, in this sunset State, almost pity our "Down East" brethren of that State.

The Grand Secretary submitted a full and able report of his work during the year. The returns of the Lodges were improving so fast that he could now say that about ninety per cent. were correct. Bro. ABELL always insists upon it that *one hundred* per cent. shall be the standard in California.

We have heretofore called attention to the fact that our Kansas brethren take high ground against liquor-selling by members of the Fraternity. We copy the following report of the Grievance Committee (adopted by the Grand Lodge), to show that that banner is still on the outer wall:—

Your committee find in the above case that on the 12th day of September, 1876, charges were preferred in *Fortitude* Lodge against S. COHN, one of its members, for selling intoxicating liquors as a beverage, and keeping a dramshop. On September 26th, the brother, having been duly summoned, entered a plea of guilty to the charge before the committee appointed to take testimony. Afterward, at the Lodge meeting called to try the brother, he withdrew his plea of guilty, and filed instead thereof a plea as follows:

"In the matter of the charges now pending against me I desire to withdraw the general plea of guilty heretofore and to substitute as follows:

"To the charge of being guilty of unmasonic conduct, I enter the plea of not guilty.

"To the specification of being engaged in the business of keeping a saloon and selling intoxicating liquors as a beverage, I enter the plea of guilty."

The defendant then submitted a further defense in writing, impugning the right of the Grand Lodge to require its subordinates to purge themselves from dramsellers and saloon keepers.

Upon this state of facts the Lodge proceeded to vote upon the question of guilt, and by a vote of twenty-four to nine, he was found guilty, but immediately thereafter, by its ballot, refused to either expel, suspend, or even reprimand the delinquent whom they had just declared to be guilty of unmasonic conduct.

At a subsequent meeting of the Lodge held October 10, 1876, a motion was made and carried to reconsider the vote upon punishment, and by a vote of nine for and six against, again refused to expel the delinquent, but by a vote of twelve to four did suspend him from the privileges of Masonry.

Your committee are informed that the defendant S. COHN is still openly and defiantly engaged in the nefarious business of dramselling.

This Grand body cannot brook that its lawful edicts and commands should be set at naught by its subordinate Lodges, or defeated by the action of unworthy members. It has repeatedly put the seal of condemnation upon the traffic of intoxicating liquors, and has declared it to be an offence for Masons to engage in the business. In doing this it has only recognized officially that a traffic which is barren of good and prolific of evil cannot be Masonic, and consequently not moral. The conscience of the people only tolerates the traffic, while admitting its wrong—the conscience of Masonry must condemn it.

In view of all the facts in this case, your committee recommend that the sentence of suspension against said S. COHN be affirmed, and also recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge hereby censures *Fortitude* Lodge, No. 107, for its disregard of the Statutes of Masonry, and that the M. W. Grand Master administer to said Lodge a severe reprimand.

Resolved further, That if said S. COHN shall continue in the business of dramselling, *Fortitude* Lodge is hereby directed to cause further charges to be preferred against him therefor, and Masonry purged entirely of so unworthy a member.

The Special Committee on "Colored Masonry" submitted an able and elaborate report against any such action as was proposed by the Grand Lodge of Ohio, which was adopted by the Grand Lodge.

After a long debate, the Grand Lodge refused to recognize the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory, and resolved to stand by *Alpha* Lodge in that Territory, which, having received its charter from the Grand Lodge of Kansas, refuses to surrender the same at the command of the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory. This will bring the two Grand Lodges into collision, but we trust that no bones will be broken thereby.

An effort was made to amend the Grand Lodge Constitution so as to exclude Wardens from membership in the Grand Lodge, but it was defeated, as it deserved to be. An appropriation of \$1,000 was made to pay the salary and traveling expenses of the Grand Lecturer.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by the Grand Secretary, and is of equal ability and interest with its predecessors from the same pen. It is a review of the proceedings of forty-nine Grand Lodges. California for 1875 receives ample and friendly notice. Many extracts are made from the excellent Address of Grand Master PERKINS. And here is what Bro. BROWN says of some other members of the Grand Lodge, in which we heartily concur:—

The Reports of the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Lecturer, furnish additional evidence that the fraternity in California are in a high degree prosperous, with many and powerful incitements to lofty attainments, based on sound and skillful work.

The Report on Correspondence was prepared by Bro. WILLIAM A. JANUARY. He seems to have hit the golden mean. His selections are *apropos*, and the comments introducing and appending them are in good taste. Kansas receives kindly mention.

Our brethren in California can afford the luxury—a Grand Orator, and right well did W. H. H. HAIGHT discharge the single duty of his post. His theme—antiquity—was managed with the insight and grace of a master. Unlike most papers of the kind, it abounds in sound thought eloquently expressed, and places its author in the very first rank of able men and Masons. We could make extracts from any part of this discourse, but to do it justice, should reproduce it entire, and so are obliged to forego the pleasure.

And here is a word or two on the Louisiana proceedings, in which the writer hits the nail on the head at every blow:—

We are growing fast, but fast growth does not imply extended or deepened knowledge. Ignorance should not be a passport to Masonic honors. The man who cannot read and write intelligently, ought never to pass the outer gate. The brother who will not read when within, who will not improve himself when the means of information are accessible, is unworthy the name of Mason. Such a man is a stumbling-block in the path of better material. He may serve to display regalia, pay dues, give charitably, vote right or wrong as interest or perversity dictates; but when moral questions are to be considered, when grave issues are to be decided, he has no guide save impulse, and no touchstone save prejudices.

Three-fourths of the troubles which afflict Lodges, are originated by just such brethren. If future peace be desired, further ingress will be denied to all such candidates.

There are one hundred and sixty-one Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 6896. The M. W. JACOB D. RUSH was elected Grand Master and the R. W. JOHN H. BROWN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

KENTUCKY.

The Grand Lodge of Kentucky commenced its seventy-seventh Annual Communication in Louisville on the nineteenth day of October, 1876,—the M. W. JOHN H. LEATHERS, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JOHN M. TODD being Grand Secretary. Representatives were present from four hundred and forty-five Lodges.

The Grand Master, in his Address, thus speaks of the present status of Masonry in that jurisdiction:—

The general depression of the times, which has affected every portion of our country, has not spared Masonic work. Accessions to our Order have not been as large as in previous years, and the aggregate membership of subordinate Lodges reported this year will, probably, be smaller than any number reported for the past five years. Yet, while we may not be able to boast of large additions to our numbers, we have no ground for alarm; on the contrary, we have cause for hearty congratulation that the Order is in a healthy and flourishing condition, and that peace and harmony prevail among our Lodges.

The genuine test of Masonic growth is not in numbers, but rather in character, and in this respect there is reason to believe that higher intellectual and moral attainments are aimed at by the Craft, and greater solicitude felt for the purity and integrity of our membership than ever before.

The subordinate Lodges had voted upon a proposition sent down to them by the Grand Lodge to “increase the dues fifty cents for each Mason in the jurisdiction for the benefit of the Home, known as the ‘Bond Proposition,’” and had rejected the same—one hundred and seventy-four Lodges voting favorably, one hundred and ninety-five unfavorably, and one hundred and twenty-six not reporting any action. The Grand Master makes this strong and trusting appeal in favor of the Home:—

It is not deemed inconsistent with the proprieties of this occasion to lay before you, and through you to every Mason in Kentucky, the aims and hopes of our splendid charity and its present condition, with the confident belief that none can refuse to help a cause which so eloquently appeals to every Masonic heart; a cause which has raised the standard of Masonry in our State; which has ennobled and dignified it; which has silenced the voice of anti-Masonry in our midst; which has dried the tear of the widow and hushed the cry of the orphan, and which has brought untold honor and credit upon the noble Order which has founded it, and under whose loving care it shall dispense its blessings to all who, by an afflicting providence, may be compelled to seek its fostering aid.

Oftentimes the Home has passed through seasons of gloom and discouragement. Often, very often, the ardor, devotion, and energies of the brethren, into whose hands you have committed this charity, have been taxed to the utmost, yet of all the past difficulties the institution has been safely brought to this hour. Now, however, the future is sadly foreboding, unless the Grand Lodge, by prompt and liberal legislation, rescues this most cherished Masonic enterprise. When the work of rebuilding the Home, and repairing the damage done by the storm, was commenced it was a cherished hope of the managers that it would be pushed forward to a speedy completion, and that the work would not again cease until the cope-stone was seated amid the rejoicings of the Craft, at the completion of a temple even more magnificent than Solomon's and more enduring in its benefits; for the spiritual temples we are rearing in that Home shall have an eternal existence when Solomon's Temple shall have been forgotten, and long after earthly gems, and monuments, and crowns are mouldered into dust.

It appears from a report made to the Grand Master, that the Masons of Louisville (two thousand in number) had contributed to the Home \$102,591 59; while the twenty thousand of the Fraternity outside that city had given \$62,285 14. Of the good done by this institution we have these statistics:—

Since the doors of the institution have been thrown open, one hundred and eighty-five widows and orphans of deceased Kentucky Masons have found shelter there; of that number thirty-seven were sent from Louisville, and one hundred and forty-eight from Lodges outside of Louisville. There are, at present, one hundred and twenty-eight beneficiaries in the Home—all that can be comfortably accommodated.

The "Endowment Fund," yielding only \$10,000 annually, would nearly take care of the present inmates at twenty-two cents a day for each. The buildings were destroyed last year, and to rebuild them would require \$15,000. Notwithstanding the failure of last year's proposition, the Grand Master again appeals to the Fraternity for the needed help:—

Great as is the glory reflected upon the Order by what has been done, it were far better for the name of Masonry in Kentucky that a stone had never been laid than to stop where we are. It, the great work of the craft and its proudest achievement, Completed—an imperishable monument of Masonic benevolence and charity. Unfinished—a shame and reproach to men who had the noble and generous impulses to devise a scheme which their indifference prevented them from carrying out.

Its bleak, unadorned and tenantless walls cry out at this hour for the means to make it the habitation of those who, by the decrees of fate, are compelled to bear cheerless poverty and an unprotected and defenseless existence. From every part of the commonwealth, almost from every Lodge, comes the plaint of the helpless infant, or the wail of the broken hearted widow, begging for bread to feed, and a home to shelter. These cries come not from strangers, they are from the loved ones of our brethren who have been called to the Grand Lodge above, and who departed hence strong in the faith and hope that we, who are left behind when they are gone, would protect and defend their dear ones. These children, these widows, are the bequest to us of dead brethren; and mercy and justice, aside from all the solemn obligations of our Order, call us, aye, demand us, at this hour to prove worthy of the confidence of our dead and worthy the sublime principles of Masonry.

This subject called out long and earnest debate in the Grand Lodge. Several propositions were voted down, and several references were made to committees. A compromise was finally unanimously adopted, as follows:—

WHEREAS, It has been officially represented to this Grand Lodge that a crisis has arrived in the history of the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home and Infirmary of Kentucky, which imperatively demands the intervention of personal self-denial and sacrifice upon the part of all true Masons embraced in this Grand Jurisdiction; therefore, be it

Resolved, That an assessment be, and the same is hereby made upon each subordinate Lodge in this jurisdiction, and all others hereafter constituted, of an amount which will equal one dollar for each member of said subordinate Lodge per year, for five years, from and after the beginning of the present convocation of this Grand Lodge. That each subordinate Lodge is required to pay the said assessment annually for the said term of five years, at the same time the dues of said Lodge are due and payable to this Grand Lodge: *Provided, however*, That any subordinate Lodge desiring to do so, may pay up at any time the whole amount of said assessment, and receive, from the Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge, a receipt and *quietus* for the same. The Grand Secretary shall open and keep a separate account with each subordinate

Lodge for this fund, and the assessment shall be made upon the basis of the membership of said subordinate Lodge as her returns to this Grand Lodge indicate. The Grand Secretary shall pay over to the Secretary of the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home and Infirmary of Kentucky any moneys received by him during the recess of the Grand Lodge, for this account, immediately on receiving the same; and he is hereby required to report to each session of this Grand Lodge during the said five years, the amount assessed against each subordinate Lodge, and the amount paid by each; and at the close of each session of this Grand Lodge, the Grand Secretary is required to pay over to the Secretary of the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home and Infirmary of Kentucky all the money received by him on account of said fund during the convocation of the Grand Lodge, taking the receipt of the Secretary of the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home and Infirmary of Kentucky for the same. No officer, through whose hands this money shall pass, shall be allowed any commission on the same: *Provided*, That before this resolution shall go into effect a poll shall be opened in each subordinate Lodge in this State on the 27th day of December, 1876, and the sense of its members taken on the plan hereby proposed; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of each subordinate Lodge to send, with the seal of the Lodge attached, a list of the members voting *pro* and *con* to the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge. In the taking of said poll only such members as are qualified to vote in the election of officers of such subordinate Lodge shall be entitled to vote. On the first day of February, 1877, it shall be the duty of the Grand Master to open said poll, so sent him, and count the vote of each subordinate Lodge; and if it shall appear that a majority of the members so reported shall be in favor of the assessment proposed, then the Grand Master shall so notify the Lodges, as hereinafter directed; but if a majority of the members so reported shall appear to be opposed to the proposition, then the same shall be considered defeated and of no effect. If the proposed assessment shall prevail, it shall be the duty of the Grand Master, through the Grand Secretary, to notify, immediately, each Lodge in the State of the fact, and that said Lodge is required to forward to the Grand Secretary, as hereinbefore provided, the amount of its assessment, as shown by the number of its members in said annual return.

Your committee respectfully recommend that a committee be appointed by the Grand Master, to consist of one member from each Congressional District, whose duty it shall be to prepare and publish an address to the subordinate Lodges, setting forth the urgency of immediate action on the part of the Fraternity, and cause the same to be presented to the subordinate Lodges; and the Grand Treasurer is directed to pay the incidental expenses of said committee.

The Grand Master had issued dispensations for the formation of twelve new Lodges. A feeling and eloquent tribute is paid to the illustrious dead of the year. From the action on the "Home" matters, the time of the Grand Lodge seems to have been mainly directed to merely local affairs.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bro. THOMAS TODD, and occupies eighty-eight pages of the proceedings. California, for 1875, is liberally and favorably noticed. Our brother was particularly pleased with the oration of Bro. HAIGHT, and with Bro. SHAEFFER's recommendation touching the lambskin.

There are five hundred Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 21,237. The M. W. R. M. FAIRLEIGH was elected Grand Master and the R. W. JOHN M. TODD was re-elected Grand Secretary.

LOUISIANA.

The sixty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana was held in the city of New Orleans on the twelfth day of February, 1877,—the M. W. JOHN GRAHAM FLEMING, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JAMES C. BATCHELOR, "M.D.," being Grand Secretary. Representatives were present from seventy-eight Lodges.

The Address of the Grand Master is of more than usual length, but ably written. Many matters of interest to the Fraternity, local and general, are fully discussed. While returning thanks to the Supreme Ruler of the Universe for the blessings of health and agricultural prosperity, during the past year, he regrets that the Fraternity were not equally prosperous. Politically, the year had been one of unrest and excitement, and this had been a bar to the general welfare. We quote a few lines from the address on this point:—

When war, or sectional or religious or political strife springs up, we cannot help but suffer with the rest of our fellow citizens, and no matter how much we may desire, or how hard we may strive to prevent these evils from having a blighting influence on us as an order, we cannot entirely succeed.

During the past ten years we have witnessed the working out, in part, of one of the most extraordinary political problems that has ever been attempted by any government, nation, or people. A race of men, numbering millions, have been emancipated from slavery, and not only invested with the right of suffrage, and all other civil rights, but, so far as this State is concerned, have been elevated to be at once its law-makers and rulers. I leave the casuist, the philosopher, and the politician to discuss the probable ultimate result of this experiment; but so far it has been a sad one to us. It has not only impoverished hundreds of our best citizens, but it has laid an embargo, as it were, upon industrial pursuits, and established a standing premium for duplicity and villainy, and, worse than all, has filled the land with discord and demoralization and destitution. I am loth to believe that men are naturally any worse now than they were in the past. I believe that they are in the present day and generation, as I believe they always have been, more liable to err from a want of resolution to do right than from a disposition to do wrong, and that they would prefer to do right if they were not virtually punished for doing it. In the general estimation of the world, wealth is considered essential to honor, although it is not and should not be so, and the high road to wealth seems now to lead only through the bogs and chaparrals of corruption and intrigue. But yet all this may be a blessing in disguise. It might come to pass that the evils produced by it will cause a spirit of reformation to rise that will crush it, and establish a more happy condition of affairs. For the present it behooves us to guard well our doors and our interests, that none of this discord may enter the one or injure the other, for numerous attempts are being made, and no doubt will continue to be made, to legislate this emancipated race into our Fraternity; and I can suggest no better way of meeting the difficulty than by adhering to the law that, to become of us they must pass through a similar door and ceremonies like those through which we have all come, and that no special laws can be enacted for their benefit.

The past year is to pass into our history as an important one. It has been celebrated with great joy as the centennial of our existence as an independent government. The nations and governments of the world have sent envoys and representatives, not only to assure us of their friendship and of their admiration for our prosperity and wonderful development as a people, and to wish us God speed, but to compete with us in friendly contest in the advancement of all branches of useful knowledge. Even majesty itself, for the time being, laid aside the crown and paid us homage. We, of Louisiana, however, were not in a condition to join to any great extent in the festivities of the occasion. The impoverished and oppressed condition of our State rendered it impossible for us to take any formal part in the great national exhibition. We were in a situation similar to that of our ancient brethren in Babylon, and could not consistently join in singing the songs of success nor in the glorious hallelujahs of prosperity.

Due and feeling notice is taken of the many fraternal dead of the year, among whom was a Past Deputy Grand Master.

The Grand Master is decidedly opposed to the joint ownership of property by Masonic Lodges and those of other secret societies. He thinks there is scarcely anything more the source of trouble in Lodges than this, and he trusts the prohibitory law on this subject in the jurisdiction will be rigidly enforced.

On the question of non-payment of dues and indebtedness of Lodges, the Grand Master gives utterance to his feelings and opinions, as follows:—

It seems to me that much good might be done by a more prompt action on the part of the Secretaries in collecting dues. A distinguished divine once said "that there were three steps to perdition: the first, a neglect of religious duties; the next, a refusal to perform them; and the third, to curse God and religion both." And it seems to me about the same way with some of our brothers in regard to Lodge dues. They first neglect to pay them, until the sum becomes a large or important one, and then they refuse to pay, and if disciplined for it they abuse the institution. I think it would be worth trying to collect them in small sums, as they accrue.

There is another kind of debt that is working great harm, and that is the indebtedness of the Lodges.

When Pompey the Great told the Dictator of Rome that "more worshiped the rising than the setting sun," he uttered a great truth, that applies to institutions as well as individuals. When a Lodge is known to be prosperous and carefully managed, it is generally popular, especially with its own members, who take a pride in attending it; but if it becomes involved in debt, and particularly so if brought to that condition by mismanagement, then much of the interest and pride felt by the

members in its welfare is lost. Let a Lodge, or any other institution, be known to be involved in debt, or on the decline, and there are but few proselytes to do it reverence or share its embarrassed fortunes.

So far as a Masonic Lodge is concerned, indebtedness often proves fatal to it, when otherwise it has every opportunity to succeed. The discussion of the debt often produces discord and is a source of continual annoyance to the members, and to avoid discussing it some dimit, and others, although they pay their dues, never attend the meetings of the Lodge. I do not think it proper that I should give the names of the Lodges, but there are several of them that are very much embarrassed, and, of course, declining as a consequence.

He had granted dispensations for the formation of two new Lodges. Elaborate reports were submitted by nearly all the District Deputy Grand Masters, but they embrace matters of local interest only.

The Grand Lodge did not believe that a Masonic Lodge was instituted to collect ordinary debts due from one brother to another, and reversed the action of one that had suspended a brother for not promptly paying a note that he had given. The committee say, and we concur, that "Masonic bodies should not be converted into collecting agencies."

The *Louisiana Relief Lodge*, No. 1, as illustrious for its good deeds as our worthy Masonic Board of Relief, had done much, but the absence of epidemics had saved the brethren from much of the suffering and work that too often falls to their lot. The total disbursements for the year were \$1370 41.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. G. H. BRAUGHN, who *almost* fills the vacancy made by the death of the lamented Bro. JAMES B. SCOT. The report fills one hundred and eighty-one pages of the proceedings. For some unexplained reason, the California proceedings had not reached our brother.

There are one hundred and sixty Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 6449. The *M. W.* SAMUEL JAMES POWELL was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* JAMES C. BATCHELOR was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MAINE.

The fifty-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine was held in the city of Portland on the first day of May, 1877,—the *M. W.* ALBERT MOORE, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* IRA BERRY being Grand Secretary. One hundred and sixty-seven Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master MOORE is a plain, straight-forward talk upon the Masonic matters affecting the jurisdiction. The decease of Past Senior Grand Warden EDWARD B. HINKLEY is appropriately noticed, as is also that of Past Deputy Grand Master AMOS NOURSE at the ripe old age of eighty-two. Generally peace and harmony prevailed in the jurisdiction. The accessions to the ranks were indeed less than usual, but that, in the opinion of the Grand Master, afforded no cause for alarm. The "moral and financial strength of the Order was never better than now." No new Lodges had been constituted during the year. One of the special dispensations was for a Lodge to appear in Masonic clothing and procession, for the purpose of erecting a marble tablet to the memory of Bro. LOUIS ANNANCE, once a chief of the St. Francis Indians. He was "an educated Indian, a Christian man, and for forty years a Mason." The ceremony was performed on the fourth of October, in a retired spot at the foot of Moosehead Lake. We copy the following from the address delivered in commemoration of the red-skinned brother:—

On the 27th day of December last, we consigned to the silent grave the remains of our friend and Bro. LOUIS ANNANCE. To-day we gather around his resting-place, and erect there a stone with suitable inscription—a testimonial of our esteem for him as a man, and as a worthy brother of our ancient and honorable Institution.

Though belonging to a race, for the most part, wanting in the grace and polish of education, he availed himself of some opportunities for mental culture, thrown in his way in early life, and made no inconsiderable progress in the arts and sciences.

When asked by a friend a few years since, "why did you not continue your studies and give yourself up to intellectual pursuits?" he replied, at the same time raising his hand and pointing his finger to his head,—"Too much Indian here!"

Many of the characteristics of his race exhibited themselves in his life, despite the influences of the schools and early association with the whites, even down to a ripe old age. He loved the communion and solitude of the woods, and most of his time, after abandoning literary pursuits, till the infirmities of age pressed heavily upon him, was spent in roaming the forest in pursuit of game.

How plainly in his case is illustrated the fact, that it is difficult, if not impossible, for a man to rid himself, even if he will, of those mental and moral peculiarities which mark and distinguish his nation and race from that of all others. The Ethiopian cannot change his skin nor the leopard his spots, and not less difficult is it for a man to obliterate or conceal those tastes, habits, and modes of thought which the Great Creator has seen fit to make the distinguishing features of that branch of the human family to which he belongs.

In the year 1836, he was made a Master Mason by *North Star Lodge*, located at Lancaster in the State of New Hampshire, and from that time to the day of his death he ceased not to love our Institution. He often spoke of it in warm terms of commendation. For his brethren he entertained a peculiar esteem, and he seemed always keenly alive to the obligations of the Fraternity.

The Grand Master is opposed to Lodges entering into any system of life or health insurance, and says that the appropriation of Lodge funds for that purpose is inadmissible. His words of caution are those of wisdom as well.

A fire in Portland had destroyed the Masonic Hall and most of the property of the Grand Lodge. But fortunately its records and most of its valuables were preserved.

Quite a tempest was created last year by the alleged attempt of a lawyer (a member of the Grand Lodge) "to influence jurors by an allusion to Masonry." A committee of the Grand Lodge was appointed to investigate the same, who reported this year that "the person implicated was not guilty of the allegations contained in the complaint against him." So all is quiet again on the Penobscot, and Bro. BLANCHARD & Co. will not hold one of their annual howls in that locality.

Bro. DRUMMOND submitted a report upon the rival claims of the "Grand Lodge of Colon" and the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba" for authority in that beautiful island. In Bro. D.'s estimation the case is not as clear for the latter as Bro. SIMONS, of New York, makes it out to be. In fact, he rather suspects there is a "cat under the meal," or a genuine African near or in the fence. He more than half hints that the rival cities of Havana and Santiago de Cuba have something to do with the rival Grand Lodges. He suggests, therefore, that the Grand Lodge of Maine wait awhile before recognizing either at the expense of the other, and it so determined.

We see no reason why the Grand Lodge of Maine should err theologically, for we perceive that it has the help of eight Grand Chaplains to keep it on the right track.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is, of course, by Bro. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND, for who *could* fill his place? It has all the old features of Drummondistic excellence, and is *not* confined to any twenty pages of synopsis, reading like a dictionary, but spreads itself over one hundred and thirty-eight pages, and then, like *Oliver Twist*, we "want more." California for 1876 is most liberally honored. Of our whole proceedings Bro. D. says: "It is not the *size* of the volume nor the mere *quantity* of matter in it that is so very troublesome, but the *quality* of the contents renders it difficult to dismiss it without many more extracts than we have room for, and still more difficult to determine what ones to omit."

Bro. Grand Master BROWNE's Address is highly complimented and several pages copied therefrom.

Bro. DRUMMOND rather "pitches into" our Committee on Jurisprudence for not seeing the difference between the actions of the Grand Lodge of Maine in the respective cases of Ontario and Quebec. This is not our fight, and we turn the Schah of Maine over to him of California.

In relation to that little side action of our Grand Lodge, in relation to "pictorial bums," Bro. DRUMMOND gets off the following in relation to a good brother, of whom we have occasionally heard in California:—

We have had, during the last year, the rare good fortune to meet Bro. ABELL and make his personal acquaintance, and while a more genial, kind-hearted man does

not live, we should prefer not to act the *role* of our aforesaid "bummer," trying to palm off pictorials on him.

Thanks to Bro. DRUMMOND for his kind personal notice, and his wish for the future. As long as we are privileged to occupy this position, we are sure to meet Bro. DRUMMOND as a confrere. A Maine report on Grand Lodge without him, would be the "play of Hamlet with Hamlet left out."

There are one hundred and seventy-nine Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 19,365. The M. W. EDWARD P. BURNHAM was elected Grand Master and the R. W. IRA BERRY was re-elected Grand Secretary.

From the pleasant recollections we have of Bro. BURNHAM, whom we met in another Grand Body in Baltimore in 1865, we can but congratulate our Maine brethren upon their fortunate choice.

MANITOBA.

The second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was held in the city of Winnipeg on the thirteenth day of June, 1877,—the M. W. W. N. KENNEDY, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JOHN H. BELL being Grand Secretary. Six Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master, in his Address, says it is the day of small things with them, but harmony had everywhere prevailed. A dispensation had been granted for the establishment of one new Lodge. As it is located near the borders of Minnesota and Dakota, permission had been asked of, and granted by, the Grand Masters of those jurisdictions, for persons living this side the border to be received as members in that Lodge. Two kinds of work prevail in this small jurisdiction, one being according to the "A. G. Rite," and the other the "Canadian," whatever they may be. Both kinds were exemplified before the Grand Lodge, when, after an earnest debate, and voting down of all amendments, the "A. G. Rite" was adopted for future and exclusive use.

The Craft during the year had collected some four hundred dollars for charitable purposes and the care of the sick, which had been handed over to the "Winnipeg General Hospital." The closing paragraphs of the address are worth copying for the information and advice contained therein:—

And now, brethren, by way of conclusion, let us consider for a moment the position of Masonry in this Province. What can we do to elevate its tone? What can we do to bring honor on the cause we love so well? Barely two years have passed since the Grand Lodge was formed. I am glad to see that our action in so doing and the manner of our formation have been approved by the Grand Lodges of the world so far as heard from, including the Grand Lodge from which we sprang. Our numbers have been very much increased by initiations from amongst ourselves, as well as by affiliation of brethren from abroad, who have been and still are coming in large numbers amongst us, so that since our organization we have more than doubled in numbers. Peace and harmony prevail, and, as a rule, the brethren are anxious to improve themselves in a knowledge of the work. The attendance at the Lodges, I believe, has generally been good. But is this all that is required? We must remember that numbers is not always strength—that, as I have already said, a knowledge of the work is not always a test of true Masonry.

And then, has our own conduct as Masons been above reproach? Have we lived up to the standard we admit we should aim at? It is not enough that a Mason should be as good as other men; he ought to be better. With the teachings we receive night after night in our Lodges and the high examples before us, as well as in the study of those liberal arts and sciences which as Masons we ought to cultivate, we ought certainly to be better.

As our Grand Lodge grows let us grow in the true spirit of Masonry. On the foundation which has been so well laid let us raise a superstructure perfect in all its parts and honorable to the builders.

Into the consideration of the business which will be brought before us at this meeting let us enter with hearts inspired with our obligations and minds illumined from above, setting aside all personal ambitions and everything that would in the slightest degree militate against the harmony of our meeting and the best interests of the Craft.

The "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba" was fraternally recognized. There are six Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of three hundred and sixteen. The *M. W.* GEORGE F. NEWCOMB was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* JOHN H. BELL was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MARYLAND.

The Grand Lodge of this jurisdiction commenced its Annual Communication in the city of Baltimore on the twenty-first day of November, 1876,—the *M. W.* JOHN H. B. LATROBE, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* JACOB H. MEDAIRY being Grand Secretary. Representatives were present from seventy-seven Lodges.

The Address of Grand Master LATROBE is very brief. A Past Senior Grand Warden, Bro. LAWRENCE SANGSTON, had been called away by death, and an appropriate tribute was paid to his memory.

The Grand Master had received an application for the recognition of the "Gran Logia de la Isla de Cuba," Havana, and states at some length the grounds on which the application rested. But as the Grand Lodge of Maryland was still in fraternal relations with the "Gran Logia de Colon," from which the Lodges forming the other Grand Lodge had received their charters, he recommends delay in acting upon the case before them until more accurate information can be obtained—and so the Grand Lodge agreed. He is still fearful that the tax of \$469,000 on the Fraternity for the Masonic Temple will be too great a burden to bear, but urges conciliatory, united, and prompt action to save the Craft from the dishonor of bankruptcy.

The Grand Lodges of Manitoba, Dakota, and Prince Edward Island were fraternally recognized; but in reference to the so called "Grand Lodge of Ontario," it was resolved "that no Lodge or individual hailing under the so-called Grand Lodge of Ontario, can be recognized in this jurisdiction as having any Masonic standing."

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. JOHN S. TYSON—is well written, but too brief to suit our notions of what such a report should be. Fifty Grand Lodge proceedings are reviewed, California for 1875 being one. Complimentary notices appear of nearly all the reports submitted that year.

There are ninety-three Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 5657. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

We have also received the proceedings of the Semi-Annual Communication held in the city of Baltimore on the eighth day of May, 1877. In the absence of both the Grand Master and Deputy, the post was occupied by *R. W.* A. ROBERTSON, Senior Grand Warden. Seventy-six Lodges were represented.

Grand Master LATROBE, being necessarily absent on legal business in the city of New York, transmitted his Address, which was read to the Grand Lodge. Much of the Address is devoted to that old, and to the Marylanders, very sore subject, the Masonic Temple and its financial condition. Matters looked a little brighter, but still the burden is too great to bear. The assessor had done his part towards relief, for he had reduced the assessment from \$469,000 to \$75,000; quite a jump for the brethren. In the economy practised, and to be adopted as a future policy, the Grand Master recommended, and it was agreed to, that the names of Masons should only be published in the semi-annual proceedings, and the Report of the Committee on Correspondence in those of the Annual Communication. This may be very well and judicious, but while watching this spigot, we wonder that our Maryland brethren overlooked the waste at the bung-hole, viz., having *two* Communications of the Grand Lodge in a year. Why have any *Semi-Annual* meeting? The present indebtedness of the Grand Lodge is \$453,226 96—enough to give the backache to any Grand Master. The present incumbent has been able to wipe out about \$70,000.

The Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence submitted an able report upon the application of the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba" for recognition, as

against the old, and, as it is claimed, defunct organization, the "Grand Lodge of Colon." The committee come to the following conclusion:—

1. That on September 30th, 1868, the Grand Lodge of Colon committed *suicide*.
2. That on August 1st, 1876, when the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba was formed, there was no other Grand Lodge in Cuba.
3. That the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba was legally constituted, since six of its constituents held charters from the Grand Lodge of Colon of dates prior to September 30th, 1838, and they unanimously adopted the Constitution. There was irregularity in admitting the other Lodges to participate in the Convention, but this has been *healed* by granting to them *new charters*.
4. That the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba being sovereign and independent, and free from any connection whatever with any so-called Superior Masonic Bodies, is entitled to recognition by the Grand Lodge of Maryland.

And on its recommendation, the following resolutions were adopted by the Grand Lodge:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Maryland proffers cordial and fraternal greeting to the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba, at Havana, and cheerfully accedes to its request for Masonic recognition.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, under the seal of this Grand Lodge, be transmitted to W. Bro. RAMON ILLA, General Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba, Havana.

We find no other items of interest in the document before us.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge sends us the proceedings of the year in installments. The first contains the proceedings of a Quarterly Communication, held in the city of Boston on the thirteenth day of September, 1876.—the M. W. PERCIVAL LOWELL EVERETT, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. CHARLES H. TITUS being Grand Secretary. Several Masonically sick brethren were "healed" at this session.

A neat little episode diversified the proceedings. A worthy Past Deputy Grand Master, the Rev. LUCIUS R. PAIGE, D. D., was honored by the passage of a complimentary resolution on the fiftieth anniversary of his first election as a Master. From his interesting address in reply, we clip this paragraph:—

Since that time (1845) my membership has not been interrupted, inasmuch as I was a Presiding Master three years, then Junior Grand Steward two years, and Junior Grand Deacon one year, then Deputy Grand Master three years, under the brilliant and energetic Grand Mastership of Bishop RANDALL, which entitled me to permanent membership. During these last thirty years, so highly have I enjoyed the society of my brethren, that I have seldom been absent from our regular Communications when I had sufficient health and strength to attend. But I am admonished that I am now neither young nor vigorous. In looking around me, I see no person, except my R. W. Brother the Rev. Dr. WELLS, who was a permanent member of the Grand Lodge before me; indeed, only two others survive,—R. W. ABRAHAM A. DAME and R. W. GEORGE G. SMITH. One by one those whom I loved and venerated thirty years ago, and those other dear friends with whom I stood shoulder to shoulder fifty years ago, have departed, and the time of my own departure cannot be far distant. But while I remain, I hope to meet my brethren frequently, and to retain their friendship, which I trust I have never lost. Once more I thank them with all my heart for their present expression of good-will, and especially my R. W. Brother the Senior Past Grand Master, for the kind manner in which he was pleased to speak of me.

The sum of five hundred dollars was appropriated by the Grand Lodge for charitable purposes.

A petition from a Lodge in Palermo, Italy, which had withdrawn from the Grand Lodge of that Kingdom, to be received by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, was denied, the committee appointed thereon giving good reasons for the same. The same committee, consisting of Past Grand Masters CHARLES L. WOODBURY, WILLIAM S. GARDNER, and SERENO D. NICKERSON, submitted an elaborate report upon the legitimacy of the PRINCE HALL Grand Lodge. After reviewing the history of the whole matter, so far as the committee could gain authentic information, they submit the following conclusions, which were adopted by the Grand Lodge:—

We recapitulate these facts, because they point to inevitable conclusions as to PRINCE HALL and his associates:—

1. No evidence that they were made Masons in any Masonic Lodge.
2. If made, they were irregularly made.
3. They never had any American authority for constituting a Lodge.
4. Their charter from England was granted at a time when all American Masonic authority agrees that the Grand Lodge of England had no power to make Lodges in the United States, after the acknowledgement of our independence, November 30th, 1872, and the treaty of peace made November 3rd, 1783.
5. The Grand Lodge of England dropped *African* Lodge from their list in 1813. Said Lodge does not appear to have worked since PRINCE HALL's death in 1807, except this, that in 1827 parties calling themselves *African* Lodge, No. 459, repudiated the Grand Lodge of England.
6. The Grand Lodge of England did not delegate to *African* Lodge any power to constitute other Lodges, or to work elsewhere than in Boston.
7. No Masonic authority exists for any of the organizations since 1807, whether pseudo Lodges or Grand Lodges; and no evidence of the Masonry of any of their members has come to our knowledge.
8. Neither English or any other Masonic authority exists, nor has at any time existed, for these colored Lodges located out of Boston to make Masons or practise Freemasonry. Each of them began its existence in defiance of the Masonic community of the State where located, and continues unrecognized by the regular Masons of the State.

The Annual Communication (being the one hundred and forty-third,) was held in Boston on the thirteenth day of December, 1876,—the M. W. PERCIVAL LOWELL EVERETT, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. CHARLES H. TITUS being Grand Secretary. One hundred and forty-two Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is a well written paper, of reasonable length, and entirely devoted to the business and welfare of the jurisdiction. The debt of the Grand Lodge, incurred in the erection of the Masonic Temple, now amounts to \$290,-981 41, having been reduced \$9,010 32 during the year. It is still a large elephant on the hands of our Bay State brethren.

Dispensations had been granted for four new Lodges. Among the special dispensations were those for the "healing" of some five sick brethren of the Commonwealth, and the Grand Lodge tried its hand on several other patients.

Past Senior Grand Warden WENDELL T. DAVIS had died during the year, and suitable notice was taken thereof by the Grand Master and Grand Lodge.

A copy, in marble, of the statue of Past Grand Master General JOSEPH WARREN, of revolutionary memory, executed by HENRY DEXTER, the famous sculptor, had been presented to the Grand Lodge and placed in the vestibule of the Masonic Temple.

One charter had been surrendered, that of *Philanthropic* Lodge, of Marblehead. It is a pity that this charter could not have been maintained, as this was one of the oldest landmarks of Massachusetts Masonry. It was first granted in 1760; surrendered in 1812; restored in 1821; again surrendered, and restored in 1845, and now once more given up in 1876. The Grand Master expresses the hope that "at no distant day this venerable charter may be returned to some of the zealous Masons, of whom a few still live in Marblehead, and *Philanthropic* Lodge resume its place in our ranks."

We alluded last year to the establishment of "Commissioners of Trials" for the whole jurisdiction, and expressed some interest as to the practical operation of this new Masonic Court. Two cases are elaborately reported, from the reading of which we should infer that thus far it had worked smoothly and well. One of these was the case of a brother who had been Secretary of his Lodge for sixteen successive years, and yet from his careless, unbusiness-like habits, should never have filled that office at all. Final result, a deficit of \$1400. While punishing the delinquent, the Commissioners administer this just rebuke to those who had kept such a man so long in office:—

It further appeared that the respondent was a man of very careless habits, so far as the keeping of accounts and the care and use of money are concerned; but that

these habits were well known, and especially by the Past Masters under whom he had officially served, and the members of the Finance Committee, under whose eye all his accounts and papers appeared from year to year. Why, through all these years since the Constitution of the Lodge, no more thorough investigation was made until the inspection of the complainant, in 1875, established the necessity for such investigation, although, perhaps, an interesting question for the members of *Dalhousie* Lodge, it was not within the province of the Commissioners to determine.

The so-called "Grand Lodge of Ontario" was reported upon by a committee as "a spurious body," and the Grand Lodge concurred.

If the original of the following picture should stray away as far as California, the Craft should be on their guard against her fascinating wiles:—

A circular has been issued, warning the Craft against a woman and two children, who have for several years imposed upon the Fraternity, passing through the State on her way to the mountains in summer, and returning in the autumn; from the numerous communications received by the Committee, it is evident that she succeeded in too many cases. If the brethren in different parts of the State would properly communicate to the committee the appearance of supposed impostors, they could in many cases be promptly identified, as the committee are often in receipt of information from similar committees in other jurisdictions.

The Grand Lodge was favored with another present, being a gavel made from the "Washington Oak," at Mount Vernon, a venerable tree two hundred years old.

A stated Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in Boston on Saint John's Day, to install the Grand Officers, who had been unanimously re-elected at the Annual Communication. They do these things in style in this jurisdiction, as witness these proceedings in the case of the Grand Master:—

The committee retired, attended by the Grand Deacons, the Grand Stewards and the Grand Sword-Bearer, conducted by the Grand Marshal, and escorted the Grand Master elect to the Grand East,—the brethren all rising,—and duly presented him for installation.

The R. W. Installing Officer directed the committee to conduct the Grand Master elect to the altar, there to receive the benefit of prayer, and be invested with his official obligation.

The Grand Master elect, having been duly invested with his official obligation, was re-conducted to the Grand East, and installed in Ample Form, and in accordance with the usage of this Grand Lodge.

The ceremony of installation, including the several proclamations, will be found set forth in full in the record of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, Dec. 29, 1874.

A procession was formed in due order, and the M. W. Grand Master was saluted, in accordance with the ancient usage of the Craft and of this Grand Lodge, and proclamation was duly made by the Grand Marshal.

There appears in the proceedings an elaborate memorial notice of the R. W. Bro. JOHN LOVE, who had been Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Virginia from 1832 to 1876, and of the Grand Chapter from 1818 to his decease. As we shall more fully notice the departure of this venerable man, in our review of Virginia, we shall here only copy one paragraph of the obituary notice, descriptive of the personal habits and appearance of the deceased:—

Dr. DOVE was scrupulously neat in his dress. He was shaved every day, but he allowed no barber to touch his hair. He wore usually, we may say constantly, a rose or a bouquet in his button hole. We verily believe that these were but emblematic of his purity of thought, as we know they were of his purity of life and conduct. He was always and everywhere the gentleman. He never forgot himself—never lost his dignity. He was a man of decided individuality of character. Would there were more of them! He bore his Masonic honors as if they were no burden to him, and never presumed upon his position to overawe his brethren. "Take him for all in all we shall not soon look upon his like again."

The following preamble and resolution were adopted by an unanimous vote:—

Whereas, The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the first of the Grand Lodges of America, on the eighth day of March, A. D. 1777, declared its independence, and then became a sovereign and independent Grand Lodge, and from thence hitherto, without interruption, has continued to exercise the rights, powers, and prerogatives of an independent and sovereign Grand Lodge; now, therefore, it is

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, on the eighth day of March,

A. D. 1877, do celebrate the centennial of its independent and sovereign existence in such manner as the Most Worshipful Grand Master may direct.

The proceedings of the banquet which followed the installation occupy nearly fifty pages of the pamphlet before us. All was very interesting, doubtless, at the time, but reported dinner speeches read too much like champagne when the effervescence is gone.

Our brethren in Massachusetts do not indulge in the luxury of a Report on Correspondence. There are two hundred and nineteen Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 26,292. As already stated, the Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

We have also received the full proceedings of a Special Communication, called to celebrate the "one hundredth anniversary of the organization of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge as a sovereign and independent Grand Lodge." The Communication was held in Boston, the eighth day of March, 1877, and was presided over by the M. W. PERCIVAL LOWELL EVERETT, Grand Master. Besides a representation of about two hundred brethren from the old Bay State Commonwealth, there were also in attendance the Grand Masters of New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, and Connecticut, and Past Grand Masters from Maine, Vermont, and Rhode Island. Letters of regret were received from the Grand Masters of nearly every other jurisdiction, our own included.

A right royal time did the brethren have, and there was a banquet that did honor to the R. W. and honorable purveyors. Eloquence of speech flowed abundantly, that must have charmed the listeners, as it certainly does interest the readers. The account, evidently from the pens of phonographic reporters, fills one hundred and fifty pages of the pamphlet before us, and we would like to cull a bouquet here and there did our time and space permit. We can only indicate the programme.

There was the introductory address by the Grand Master; an elaborate historical oration from the R. W. CHARLES LEVI WOODBURY; and then reports from PAUL REVERE and other eminent Masons of Revolutionary times; other reports in 1785; correspondence between Pennsylvania and Massachusetts Grand Lodges; and an extract from a Masonic oration delivered by Dr. BARTLETT in 1790, etc., etc.

At the banquet, speeches, lively and severe, witty and gay, short and long, were the order of the day, to the number of a round dozen, all which, with letters from absent Grand Masters, are given in full. All ends with this brief sentence: "Thus ended this Centennial Feast, at nine o'clock P.M., leaving a pleasant memory upon the minds of all those who participated therein." And no post-prandial headaches, as we trust and believe.

Another Quarterly Communication was held in Boston on the fourteenth day of March, 1877, the same Grand Officers presiding.

A petition was presented for a charter to *Huelen* Lodge, U.D., located at Santiago, Chili, which was granted. The Lodge appears to have been working favorably, having initiated seven, crafted six, and raised five. The sum of \$102 89 had also been collected by passing the "poor-box" at each meeting of the Lodge.

Bro. Dr. J. C. WARREN presented to the Grand Lodge two ballot-boxes found in an old chest, formerly the property of General JOSEPH WARREN, and probably used by him when Provincial Grand Master. They were accepted with suitable acknowledgments.

The portrait of Past Grand Master TIMOTHY BIGELOW, Grand Master about 1805, was presented by members of the family and received with thanks.

A Special Communication was held in Boston on the twenty-third day of March, 1877, for the purpose of constituting *Joseph Webb* Lodge and installing its officers.

JOSEPH WEBB was the first Grand Master of the Independent Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and this Lodge, taking his name at the close of the century from his incumbency, was thus specially honored by the Grand Lodge. From the address made to the officers by the R. W. CHARLES L. WOODBURY, we cull the following extracts, full of good words and sound Masonic sense:—

Masonry is a social institution, and its basis is the good sense, honesty, and truth of its craftsmen. The virtues we cherish are plain and homespun, those which the experience of life shows are the safeguard of the practical middle interests of society. We neither seek the very rich nor the very poor, neither the erratic scintillations of genius nor the unimpressible apathy of ignorance.

“The rank is but the guinea’s stamp;
The man is the gold for a’ that.”

The Masons, as a class, represent, more than any other I know of, the practical common sense of the whole community in its most liberal aspect, solid men of judgment, selected from every interest in society for the good of society. She seeks no political distinction, nor does she ostracise any one for his politics. We welcome good men or all parties, and think the more they meet here on the level the better they all will be for it. We welcome varieties in creeds as we do in politics; an equal consideration for all good men. Every Mason has his own politics, his own creed; that is his private right. To our Fraternity the solid character is the test of the man,—his equity, his prudence, his energy, his social worth. Has he, in the common sense of the word, a good character; does he possess the solid virtues of life? And in this his social and benevolent qualities are included. These are the vital questions that should occupy you in selecting candidates for admission. The candidate’s proofs should be made in his life *before* you admit him to your mysteries. It is too late after he is in. Masonry does improve good men, but the foundation must exist before. She has no divine privilege to regenerate a captious spirit, to change a fool into a man of sense, or a rogue into an honest man. She needs good material to begin on, and of such a man she will make a better man day by day as long as he lives.

This is what we claim for her. He may be a rough ashlar when he enters, but if the structure, the character is all right, Masonry will hew him into a perfect ashlar soon. You cannot make a square man out of stone cracked, rotten, or full of shakes. My experience, every man’s experience, is that Masonry improves the tone of his character, takes the rough edges off his prejudices in a marked degree, and makes him a worthier neighbor, a better member of a family, more reverential in his piety, and more disinterested in his patriotism. To the social system Masonry is a balance-wheel, steadying and restraining the excesses and vagaries of the motor power, the human will, but neither having relation to the construction and working parts of the political machine, nor capacity to assume any relation thereto. That it has this value in society is due, first, to the social and sturdy virtues it builds upon; next, to that liberality that exacts no sacrifice of private opinions on politics or theology, and demands only respect for the laws of the country, and common reverence to the Supreme Architect of the Universe.

Another Quarterly Communication was held in Boston on the thirteenth day of June, 1877, the same Grand Officers presiding.

Two Masonically sick brothers applied to be healed, and upon the favorable report of the Grand Committee of Craft doctors, the request was granted. One of the cases, however, showed such gross remissness or ignorance on the part of the Lodge which had undertaken to make a Mason of the brother that it was formally censured by the Grand Lodge.

An interesting report on the death of Junior Grand Warden CHARLES J. DANFORTH was adopted by the Grand Lodge, and the R. W. EDWARD AVERY unanimously elected in his place. Five hundred dollars were appropriated to charitable purposes. The Grand Lodge resolved to take no action on the subject of the two rival Grand Lodges in Cuba. An engraved portrait of THOMAS SMITH WEBB was presented by the R. W. Bro. WILLIAM SUTTON.

MINNESOTA.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota commenced its twenty-fourth Annual Communication in the city of St. Paul on the ninth day of January, 1877,—the M. W. J. C. BRADEN, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. AZARIAH T. C. PIERSON being Grand Secretary. One hundred and five Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is a well written document, and fully discusses matters of interest to the Fraternity in that jurisdiction and elsewhere. He had granted dispensations for the formation of four new Lodges. We note one or two of his most important decisions:—

4. If Bro. A plots to injure the business or reputation of Bro. B, and informs Bro. C under a pledge of secrecy, C is not bound by that pledge; but, on the contrary, is bound to give Bro. B warning. Treason consists not alone in levying war against the government under which we live, or in giving aid and comfort to its enemies; but the foulest treason is against a brother, and the blackest traitor is the Mason, sworn not to cheat, wrong, or defraud a brother, secretly plotting to injure that brother in business or reputation, and "upon the square" finding some other brother willing to receive and keep his infamous secret, becoming thereby a partner and sharer in the guilt. If a brother has received such a secret, and is summoned as a witness in a Masonic investigation, he is bound to reveal it.

7. A non-affiliate is not required to apply to the nearest Lodge for membership. As the Lodge is free to accept or reject his application, so must he be left free to apply to the Lodge of his choice.

This last is the law in California, and, as far as we are advised, almost universally; and it is also the law of common sense.

9. Can any one be made a Mason who has lost—not an eye, but the sight of an eye? He can.

The Committee on Jurisprudence took issue with the Grand Master on this decision, and reported as follows:—

Relative to the decision of the M. W. Grand Master, where he decided that a man who has lost the *sight* of one eye—not an eye—might be made a Mason, your committee are constrained to differ with the M. W. Grand Master on that decision, as not being in accordance with the provisions of the 9th Subdivision of Sec. 8, Title 2, of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge, which provides "that men made Masons must be of mature age, free-born, of good report, hale and sound, and not deformed or dismembered, and no eunuch." The sight of the eye being lost, it renders the applicant unsound. If the eye loses its sight, the eye is lost. It will hardly be contended that if the sight of both eyes be lost, the candidate would not be clearly ineligible; but if the loss of sight of one eye does not constitute *unsoundness*, the loss of *both* does not. Losing the sight of one eye renders a man, to a considerable extent, less capable to perceive the means of recognition, or of supplication, or warning, which he is compelled and expected to obey.

But the Grand Lodge differed in opinion from them, and sustained the decision of the Grand Master.

This Grand Lodge has been unfortunate in its Grand Secretaries in times past—two of them having been defaulters in paying over the moneys of the Grand Lodge, and one had allowed the Grand Lodge seal to be lithographed, (for a consideration, undoubtedly,) and the present Grand Master had found a profane making merchandise thereof. We are quite sure that no such charges will ever be laid to the door of Bro. PIERSON, the present Grand Secretary.

Death had removed from the jurisdiction a zealous brother, the R. W. ROBERT STEWART, Past Senior Grand Warden. This feeling and eloquent tribute was paid to his memory and worth, and as we read it we could but exclaim, "*O si sic omnes!*"—

He was truly a good man, a devout Christian, and a zealous Mason. One who knew him well writes thus: "He was the most kind hearted and generous man I ever met; he was so to a fault. He had the good of Masonry at heart; his counsels in Lodge were always calculated to raise the moral standing of the Craft. He was one of the few that would 'go on foot and out of the way to give timely notice to a brother of approaching danger.' He was a most strict adherent to our ancient landmarks, and would not allow a transgression of even the least point." Bro. STEWART was a Mason of the old school. His brethren write him "as one who loved his fellow-men."

The Grand Master urges the importance of perfecting the Grand Lodge Registry, and, as an illustration of its use, gives the following incident:—

An orphan boy was living in a family the head of which had been appointed his guardian. The boy alleged cruelty on the part of his guardian and fled from him; the courts interposed on the application of his guardian, and he was taken from the friends where he had sought refuge and returned to his former home. His case

attracted such attention that it was several times noticed in the St. Paul and Minneapolis dailies. Friends were interested in his behalf, but were powerless to help him. Remembering that his father had been a Mason, he one day mentioned it to a friend, not a Mason. His friend communicated that fact to a Mason, but the Lodge of which the father had been a member was not known. The Grand Lodge Registry was appealed to and the Lodge ascertained. That Lodge was put in possession of the facts, the case found to be one that justified action, the courts were applied to, the boy taken from his former guardian and placed in the family of an uncle in a distant Southern State, where he is kindly treated, happy and contented, his troubles over.

Without the Grand Lodge Registry it would have been difficult, if not impossible, to have known if the boy's statement was true, or if true, the Lodge to which his father belonged. His father, in his lifetime, as little thought as you or I now think that, after he was but dust in his grave, the Grand Lodge Registry would be of great benefit to his orphan child. Let us, therefore, not withhold the sum needed to complete it, for it may be as bread cast upon the waters, that will return to us after many days.

On the question of "color in Masonry," Grand Master BRADEN does not agree with Grand Master GRISWOLD, of the previous year, who not only indorsed the views of the Grand Master of Ohio, but even went beyond him in his arguments and recommendations. Here is what Grand Master BRADEN says:—

This question was brought before the last Grand Lodge, referred to a committee, and must come before us at this session.

I deprecate the bringing of this question in its present shape before the Grand Lodge. I cannot see how good can grow out of it; evil may. Masonry regards not any man for his mere worldly wealth or honor. The rich and the poor, the high and the low, stand in an equality before its altar. Race or color is not found in its vocabulary. There is but one disqualification of birth, a man must be "free-born" or he can not be made a Mason. Brethren! We are nearly all Masters or Past Masters of Lodges; at our installation, in the presence of Almighty God and the Lodge we were called upon to preside over, to this question: "Do you admit that it is not in the power of any man, or body of men, to make innovations in the body of Masonry?" we solemnly, and I trust sincerely answered: "I do." To strike out "free-born," or to make it of more effect, is, I believe, such an innovation in the body of Masonry as we are pledged in the most solemn manner to resist.

I know of but one way in which a profane can be made a Mason; or a Mason, not a member, can be admitted to membership in a Lodge, and that is by individual petition and unanimous ballot. Had it been shown that colored men ever applied to Lodges in this jurisdiction, and been rejected on account of color, there might have been a ground of complaint, and a decent pretext for the agitation of this question.

And here, although a little out of its place, we will give the action of the Grand Lodge on this question. The Address of Grand Master GRISWOLD was referred to a committee (of which he was a member) to report thereon at this Communication. Bro. PIERSON, the chairman, submitted a majority report, going extensively into the history of the *Prince Hall* and other African Lodges, and ending with these resolutions:—

1st.—*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge of Minnesota declines to recognize the *Prince Hall* Grand Lodge, located in Boston, Massachusetts, for the reason of its irregular formation.

2d.—*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge cannot recognize charters as having any validity in this State, except those issued by its authority, and that it cannot issue charters except to such Masons as are of its obedience.

3d.—*Resolved*, That color is neither a bar to, or recommendation for, the reception of Masonic degrees in this jurisdiction, and that it is perfectly competent for any Lodge in this jurisdiction to make Masons of any parties possessing the required qualifications, viz.: "By being a man, freeborn, of lawful age, of good report, and well recommended."

Bro. GOODRICH submitted a special report of great length, being a sharp and spicy review of the positions taken by Past Grand Master GRISWOLD. When the report came up for consideration in the Grand Lodge, Bro. GRISWOLD made an elaborate speech in favor of his address, which, on motion, he was requested to write out, and the same appears in the proceedings as his minority report. After a long and able discussion, the resolutions of Bro. PIERSON (given above) were adopted by a vote of ayes, 321: noes, 7. And so ended *that* chapter.

Past Grand Secretary PORTER, who was reported to the Grand Lodge as a defaulter in a sum exceeding \$1000, was suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. The committee reported very sharply upon the unmasonic conduct of the defaulting brother.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence, as usual, is from the pen of the Grand Secretary, and, like all previous documents from the same pen, is an excellent and very readable paper. California, for 1875, is most liberally and genially noticed. Several pages are copied approvingly from Grand Master PERKINS's Address. Bro. PIERSON is mistaken in supposing that it is the custom in California Lodges to present a lamb-skin to each initiate, to be kept as a memento of his initiation. The Grand Lecturer recommended such a course, but no action has been taken thereon by the Grand Lodge, nor do we know of but a single Lodge that so acts. Bro. HAIGHT's oration receives high commendation, and several pages are quoted from what Bro. PIERSON calls this "very, *very* interesting address." Of Bro. JANUARY's notice of Minnesota, Bro. PIERSON gives this retort courteous, which we turn over to Bro. JANUARY:—

Under the head of Minnesota, he says:—

"The Report on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. AZARIAH T. C. PIERSON. He reviews the proceedings of thirty-four Grand Lodges, but does not notice California."

"But does not notice California!" Wonder what he deems a notice? In our report of 1875—the one alluded to—we devoted seven and a half pages to California! Where were your spectacles, Bro. JANUARY? California was omitted in our report for 1871, because not received, but has been noticed every year since. Seven pages and a half not a notice—well, we will sleep on it.

There are one hundred and thirteen working Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 6569. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

MISSISSIPPI.

The fifty-ninth Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the city of Vicksburg on the seventh day of February, 1877.—the M. W. JOHN Y. MURRY, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. J. L. POWER being Grand Secretary. Two hundred and nineteen Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master's Address is very long, but well written, and contains much of interest to outside Masons, as well as to those of the jurisdiction. Thanks are rendered to the Supreme Being "because of the bountiful crops and the progress of science during the past year; and for the peace and prosperity once more felt and enjoyed by the people of the whole State." We copy a few of the many decisions, to show the law and practice in this jurisdiction:—

5th. No action of a Lodge after the death of a member who was in a state of suspension at the time of his death, can entitle him to Masonic burial or to any other Masonic right of himself or family.

6th. A non-affiliate has no right to visit a Lodge; the objection of one member is sufficient to refuse him. I believe a great deal of injury is done to the Institution by acting upon the idea that non-affiliates have the right to visit, especially if they have dimits in their possession. In the case about which inquiry was made here, the Worshipful Master of the Lodge informed me that the brother had been rejected for membership in the Lodge, and upon the application of the secretary he had persistently refused to contribute to the funds of the Lodge, still claiming the right of visit.

8th. A member of a Lodge who refuses to give the G. H. S. at the opening or closing of a Lodge, subjects himself to Lodge discipline.

I am aware of the fact that many well informed and devoted Masons object to it; still I could not allow the dignity of this Grand Lodge to be compromised by having its edicts disregarded. As long as the Adopted Work of this jurisdiction requires its observance, it must be done, notwithstanding other jurisdictions may not require it. I recommend that some action should be had in regard to this point at this Communication, either reaffirming our work, or discontinuing this part of it altogether.

In our jurisdiction this sign is not to be given at the opening and close of the Lodge. So the decision of the Grand Master would be rough upon a California brother visiting the jurisdiction of Mississippi. Which instructions should he obey?

11th. It is the duty of a Lodge to give a brother a Masonic burial who died from the excessive use of intoxicating liquors, *provided*, the brother was a *member* of the Lodge in good standing at the time of his death, and had, a short time prior to his decease, or his family immediately after that event, requested a Masonic burial.

When a Lodge fails to enforce our regulations against its members for the crime of drunkenness while living, I think it too late to begin it when they are dead. If the brother was not entitled to Masonic burial, he ought not to have been in good standing in the Lodge.

13th. "Brother A. desires to accomplish a purpose through Bro. B., which is immoral in its nature, and submits his proposition to Bro. B. upon the square, with a promise of reward. Bro. B. discloses the matter. Is he guilty of unmasonic conduct?"

Answer. No—unless he agreed to treat it as *confidential*, certainly not otherwise. Secondly, is Bro. A. guilty of unmasonic conduct, when the consummation of the purpose sought would have been a misdemeanor against the laws of the State?"

Answer. Yes; he is most unquestionably guilty of *gross* unmasonic conduct, and should be disciplined by the Lodge.

14th. A Masonic Lodge room, owned by Masons, should be used or occupied only by Masons. The loose practice which prevails in this jurisdiction upon this point I regard as contrary to the spirit and well-being of Freemasonry.

The Grand Master congratulated the Grand Lodge on the fact that he was enabled to report that they were out of debt and had a surplus fund of some \$4000. Disbursements had been issued for the establishment of four new Lodges.

From the Grand Secretary's report we learn that the requirement of the Grand Lodge, that the subordinates should report in full as to the number of sick brethren visited, destitute brethren ditto, and aggregate amount of charities disbursed, had not been generally obeyed. One Secretary, instead of a return, propounded this semi-scriptural conundrum: "How does this agree with the injunction, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth?" The returns, as far as given, show an amount of \$3912 to have been disbursed for sick and destitute brethren during the year.

The committee appointed at the last Annual Communication to consider the subject of a "Widow's and Orphan's Home and Industrial School," submitted an elaborate and able report, from which we feel justified in making liberal extracts. The committee first addressed circulars to all Masonic jurisdictions, asking information on the following points:—

1. What Masonic charity is at present maintained in the jurisdiction in which you reside?
2. What are its objects?
3. What are the details of its organization and government?
4. How are the means of support obtained?
5. What, if any, modification of the plan upon which it is conducted, either as to its object, organization, government, means of support, or in any other respect, you can suggest, which will enable us to devise a better system?
6. If there are any other Masonic charitable institutions with which you are familiar, please inform us specifically regarding them, or if you cannot do this, please do us the kindness to place this letter in the hands of some brother who can do so.
7. If any Masonic charitable institution, with whose workings you are familiar, has failed, please state what, in your opinion, caused such failure?

Replies were received from Canada, Colorado, California, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Idaho, Iowa, Ireland, Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, Michigan, Montana, North Carolina, Nebraska, New Jersey, Oregon, Rhode Island, Scotland, Utah, West Virginia, and Wisconsin, from which it appears that in the following Grand jurisdictions no Masonic charitable institutions of the character contemplated by your resolution have been organized, viz.: Canada, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Idaho, Iowa, Louisiana, Michigan, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, Oregon, Rhode Island, Scotland, Utah, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

Canada had a "Benevolent Fund" of some \$500, to be increased to \$20,000, the interest only to be applied for charity. Connecticut was about to establish a "Home for Aged and Infirm Masons," etc., and to raise \$100,000 for that purpose. Illinois had appointed a committee to devise and report plans for a similar institution.

Kentucky had had a "Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home" for years, and had spent thereon \$148,810. Missouri once built and owned a Masonic Orphan's College, but it was abandoned after a few years, because it cost four times as much to educate each orphan in the school as it would to pay their tuition in the regular academies or public schools. North Carolina had formerly two orphan asylums, but they had been consolidated. One hundred and forty-five orphans were fed, clothed, and instructed at the same, \$4000 being annually appropriated by the Grand Lodge. Nebraska is raising a fund for this charitable purpose. From England, though no official reply had come from the Grand Lodge, yet the committee had ascertained the following interesting facts from other sources:—

England—We deeply regret that no notice was taken of our request for information concerning the great Masonic charities of England, by the Grand Lodge or any of its officials, because these charities are not only the most extensive, but the most successful of which we have any knowledge. The following account was published in the "London Masonic Magazine" during the year 1873:

The first established was the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls. It was founded March 25th, 1788, for the purpose of clothing, maintaining, and educating the daughters of brethren deceased, or whose means prevented them affording their children a suitable education. The receipts for the first year were 664 guineas; the amount realized at the Annual Festival in 1873 was £7,500, being £2,000 over any preceding. The total number of girls in the institution at the present time is one hundred and thirty; received from the commencement, 1,008. Its property consists of

Lands and Institute buildings, all paid for.....	£30,032
3 per cent. consols.....	20,950

Total.....	£60,012
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The average cost of maintaining the girls for the past year was £37, 16s. including all expenses (equal to \$193, or about \$3 64 per week.)

The second established was the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys. It was founded July 3d, 1798, under the name of the Institution for Clothing and Educating the Sons of Deceased and Indigent Freemasons. In 1863 its name was changed to its present designation. For more than fifty years after the organization of this charity its beneficiaries were clothed, and, at the option of their parents, sent to schools situated near their residences. In 1856 a house and ten acres of land were purchased, and in 1857 twenty-five boys were admitted to receive the benefit of a complete education and the comforts of a home, the remaining boys being placed in other schools as heretofore. The accommodations have been gradually increased until about two hundred can now be received. The property had cost on the 31st of December, 1870, £47,116, only £4000 of which remained unpaid. The receipts of 1872, from donations, subscriptions, purchased admissions, presentations, etc., were about £10,000, and the expenditures some £360 less. The yearly cost per head was £62, 15s. (or \$314, equal to \$6 00 per week.) The boys' school stands alone in the charities in not having any fund. It is supported entirely by the yearly contributions of the brethren.

The third established was the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and widows of Freemasons. It was founded at a Grand Lodge held on the 2d of March, 1842, and was established for granting annuities to Masons only. In 1849 the widows' fund was founded. The annuities have been gradually increased until at present they stand £36 for Masons and £28 for widows. At the first festival held in 1847, the amount realized was £819, 16s., while in 1873 the large sum of £6,866, 16s., was received, being £3,000 more than was collected at any preceding festival. In 1842 there were fifteen male annuitants; there are now one hundred and fifteen. In 1849 there were only five female annuitants; there are now eighty-two, and eleven widows receiving half of the late husbands' annuity. Connected with this charity is an asylum containing apartments for thirty-three annuitants, who enjoy the privileges of the house, in addition to the annuity, and are also provided with fuel during the winter months.

The male fund has now £23,700 invested in Government stocks. The female fund has £14,200 invested in like securities. The asylum above referred to is valued at £5,000. The Boys' School and stocks amount to £47,000; while the property of the Girl's School represents £60,000, making a total of real estate and stocks belonging to these three charities amounting to the magnificent sum of £150,000, (in round numbers \$720,000.) This endowment has been raised entirely by the munificence of the

brotherhood, in excess of the yearly maintenance and expenses of these three charities.

The estimated requirements for the year 1874 were:

For the Girls' School.....	£7,900
For the Boys' School.....	9,300
For the Aged Males.....	4,824
For the Aged Females.....	3,080
Loans to be repaid.....	4,000

Making a total of £29,104

Or about \$141,600; and no doubt was entertained that even more than this amount would be cheerfully contributed. It is furthermore stated that the Grand Lodge, from its Benevolent Fund, gave away, in 1874, nearly £3,000, or about \$14,580.

The committee propose an amendment to the Grand Lodge Constitution, providing for the establishment of a "Widow's and Orphan's Home and Industrial School," and taxing each Mason in the jurisdiction one dollar annually for its support. The amendment, of course, lies over. The report closes with this eloquent appeal:—

Will not our satisfaction and pleasure be a sufficient reward as, from year to year, we see the fund accumulate, and know that we are laying up a store against the day of adversity for our children and our children's children? Be assured that the angels will not fail to write down to our credit in the great Book of Life, the vote by which this work shall be inaugurated. It is possible that the work will be retarded, and, at times, the hearts of those who shall have charge of it will be heavy with disappointment and sorrow. It may even be that we will be reproached for placing so heavy a burden upon their shoulders, for it must not be imagined that this great undertaking can be carried forward to fruition without its seasons of adversity. And it may even happen that before others shall take our places, we will weary with the work and faint by the wayside, for it must be remembered that the path has already been trodden by brethren who have turned their faces backward in the day of battle. More enterprises of this character have failed, miserably failed, than have succeeded. So far as we know, there are but two Masonic Homes in successful operation in all this broad land of ours, with its more than half million of Masons. We may, from some unseen defect, fail as others have done before us. We know of no reason why we may not succeed, for other societies with less pretensions and less ability than our own, have done so. Every where throughout Christendom, stand noble monuments of disinterested zeal and true philanthropy which owe their origin to comparatively small bands of charitably disposed persons, associated with the sole object of doing good to their fellow-men. The Church of Rome, with its hundreds of Orphanages, built with the offerings of a people who themselves, in many instances, are objects of charity, demonstrates what a little self-sacrifice upon the part of great numbers can accomplish. Every religious denomination has successfully preceded us in the same field of labor, until the number of charitable institutions, maintained by voluntary offerings, are numbered by thousands. For years, a few kind hearted and charitably disposed ladies have, almost single-handed and alone, carried on a noble work at the Protestant Orphan Asylum in Natchez. If the twelve thousand Masons in Mississippi do not succeed in this undertaking, it will demonstrate what we would be very loath to admit—that there is some radical defect in the Masonic Institution itself, suggestive of tinkling cymbals and sounding brass. Surely it cannot be true, that with all its high-sounding pretensions, the charitable features of Masonry are confined to an occasional doling out of a few paltry dollars, to relieve the immediate necessities of casual applicants. If such is the fact, the sooner it is demonstrated the better. It will have lived its day, outlived its usefulness, and must give place, at no distant period, to something capable of greater things than the conferring of degrees, whose teachings are mere theories to be preached—not practiced.

Some forty odd questions were submitted to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, all of which were answered with conciseness and brevity. We give a specimen or two:—

Question 3. Instructions are asked by the Worshipful Master of a Lodge how it should proceed if a brother kills another—both being members of the same Lodge—and shall it wait for the action of the courts?

Answer. Investigate the matter at once. Rule 1, p. 19, is explicit on the subject. The Lodge should proceed according to our rules and suspend the brother, if the facts warrant it, under Sec. 71, p. 21. See also Sec. 72. Your committee are not certain that Masonic Lodges should be governed by the action of courts of law. It is the moral turpitude of crimes that Masonry deals with, and not with the techni-

cal decisions of courts. Many guilty persons escape punishment through quibbles, technicalities and uncertainties of the law, who would be unfit to be Masons.

Question 4. A Master Mason becomes dissatisfied with Masonry, and says, from reading the Bible, he has become convinced "that the working part of it is all false and a mockery to God, and wishes to withdraw." His moral standing is good as a man, a Mason, and a church member. What shall the Lodge do with him?

Answer. Dimit him, of course, for conscience sake, if he pays his dues. If he does not, suspend him under Rule 21. Either will dispose of him.

Question 19. A Master Mason's widow has pecuniary transactions with a member of a Lodge, and believes that he does not act fairly with her, and complains to the Committee on Complaints and Offenses. Can it take cognizance of the matter, and investigate it and charge and arraign him before his Lodge for trial?

Answer. Your committee are decidedly of opinion that it is not only the right, but the bounden duty of the Committee on Complaints and Offenses to investigate the complaint thoroughly, and see that justice is done to the widow. She is helpless, and the surviving brethren of her deceased husband should see that she is not wronged. While Rule 1 contemplates that all offenses against the laws of Masonry which come under the observation of the committee, or of which they shall be informed by a brother, shall be investigated by them, yet, on general principle, offenses coming to their knowledge by any other means, even by public rumor, should be promptly examined into and reported to the Lodge for its action. Section 67, Rules and Regulations, prescribes that chartered Lodges should take notice of and punish according to Masonic usage, all offenses against Masonry, good morals and society. Our brethren must not be allowed to mistreat the widows of our deceased brethren.

Question 20. Can an Entered Apprentice who has lost an eye be advanced?

Answer. A person deprived of either of the human senses of seeing, feeling, or hearing is physically disqualified, for receiving the degrees in Masonry. The loss of one eye is said by opticians and physiologists to strengthen the other. The rule should be construed liberally, as we deal in speculative Masonry only. The subject is capable of performing all the duties and functions required of him in the ritualistic, theoretic, and practical workings of our Order, and we are of opinion he ought to be permitted to advance.

Question 39. Is a brother who is engaged in keeping a retail saloon, in accordance with the laws, guilty of unmasonic conduct, and can charges be preferred against one retailing intoxicating liquors?

Answer. The Grand Lodge has decided this question, and reference is made to Text Book, p. 188, and proceedings of Grand Lodge for 1870 and 1875. The Grand Lodges of North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Tennessee and some other States have declared the retailing of spirituous liquors as immoral, and if immoral, of course unmasonic. The tendency of dealing out intoxicating liquors to our fellow men is certainly not elevating in character, but is, on the contrary, calculated to breed mischief, and often brings sorrow to many a heart. While your committee do not propose to change your decision on [the subject at this time, they would suggest that brethren who wish to maintain a character for morality, should seek some other mode of making a living, and renounce the business of selling whiskey.

The Grand Lodge repudiated the so-called "Grand Lodge of Ontario," postponed action on the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba," and recognized the Grand Lodges of Prince Edward Island and Wyoming.

Bro. JOHN T. BUCK submitted an elaborate report from the Committee on Correspondence, well written and worthy of several perusals. California is fully noticed. He questions the action of Grand Master PERKINS in approving an amendment to the by-laws of a Lodge, requiring additional dues in case of the death and burial of a brother. He thinks this is, in effect, imposing a fine for non-attendance upon funerals, which is regarded as unmasonic in Mississippi.

Bro. BUCK finds fault with the opinion expressed by Bro. JANUARY, that "the Grand Master himself is a creation of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge," and asks to "be cited to the Constitution that created the office of Grand Master."

There are three hundred and fifteen Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 11,170. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

MISSOURI.

The Grand Lodge of Missouri commenced its fifty-sixth Annual Communication in the city of Saint Louis on the tenth day of October, 1876,—the M. W. JAMES E. CADLE, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. DAVID GOODFELLOW being Grand Secretary *pro tem.*, in the absence of Bro. GEORGE F. GOULEY, detained from the

Grand Lodge by severe illness. One hundred and eighty-three Lodges were represented.

We quote a few sentences from the able and well-written Address of the Grand Master, who confines himself almost entirely to the Masonic business of the jurisdiction. From the opening paragraph this:—

We meet again in Annual Communication, to transact the business of the Grand Lodge and interchange fraternal greetings. Let us first offer up the aspirations of grateful hearts to the Great Ruler of the Universe, for the blessings we have enjoyed during the past year. While storms and tornadoes have swept over portions of our jurisdiction since we last met, adding terror and distress to the usual list of casualties, and while here and there a faithful sentinel has fallen, thanks be to a merciful Providence, we are again permitted to assemble in "this sacred retreat of friendship and virtue." The bountiful yield of earth gives us joy, in anticipation of future abundance; and, brethren, in the joy of my heart I greet you all with a fraternal welcome.

The absence of Right Worshipful Brother GOULEY, Grand Secretary, on account of sickness, is to be seriously regretted, and our sympathies are extended to him in his severe affliction. I am gl'd, however, to say to the Grand Lodge that his recovery to health is confidently expected at an early day.

We have ended the labors of another year, and now meet to take counsel and provide for the future great work of Masonry. During our brief stay and deliberations as a Grand Body, we lay the foundation for the next year's work; and in proportion as our actions are wise and prudent, will the Craft be benefited. The work here done makes its impress throughout the entire jurisdiction. The work before us, brethren, challenges our highest efforts, enlists all our energy, and should secure an entire devotion. When we return to our respective Lodges, our brethren anxiously look to us for instruction. Let not this laudable desire be disappointed.

Let us labor while in attendance at the Grand Lodge to become not only more efficient in the work and lectures, but more familiar with the great fundamental truths taught in Masonry. Encourage higher thoughts, fuller conceptions of the sublime teachings of our institutions. We are accomplishing a great work, not as rapidly as we should, but slowly, and I trust, surely. Wherever affliction and distress are found, there, too, should be the votaries of Masonry, with the hand of mercy outstretched, ready to bind up the broken-hearted, soothe the afflicted, and give aid to the needy. The noblest heroes of earth are those who bare their breasts to the storms of adversity, and, though wounded on every side, distressed and persecuted by those "who put a penny in the urn of poverty and take a shilling out," yet never falter in the performance of the duty of carrying consolation to the distressed and afflicted of earth. The noble work of our institution is felt and acknowledged, and this will attract attention more closely to each individual member. And as our institution will always be judged by the conduct of its members, it is important that our "daily walk and conversation" should be circumspect, and in conformity to our teachings. Then will all the malignant darts hurled at us fall harmless at our feet.

He had decided that no profane could appear before a Lodge as counsel. Here is also one of his decisions. Masonically, and we suppose, strictly legally, he is right, although, at first blush, it may seem a hardship for a Lodge to take care of one who is so worthless in character as the one mentioned; yet the work of bringing and sustaining charges is so distasteful to most of the Fraternity that, often, justice to the Lodge and to the Fraternity at large is not done, because of personal sympathy with a fallen brother. We should "do justice if the heavens fall."

A brother makes the following statement, in substance: Some seven or eight years ago our Lodge conferred the degrees upon a man who was thought to be a sober, upright citizen. Soon after receiving the degrees he began to drink, and became a confirmed drunkard; has removed from our jurisdiction; was drunk and helpless almost a year before he left. The brethren are divided in opinion about the proper course. Some claim that it is unreasonable for the Lodge to render the brother assistance, as he has violated the laws of Masonry.

In answer to this case I cited decision 7, page 40, Book of Constitutions, which declares: "A member cannot be deprived of his Masonic privileges without a *fair trial*." This never having taken place, he is a member of the Lodge, entitled to all the privileges and rights of Masonry.

When a Lodge fails to enforce law, it must bear the responsibility. Other Lodges may partially protect themselves against the vicious by interposing objections to their visiting, but the Lodge where he holds his membership must alone be responsible. Every Lodge is supposed to be the exponent of Masonic virtues in its community, and when it fails to meet the requirements it is the duty of the Grand Lodge to interpose and put a stop to the farcical promulgation of the cardinal virtues.

Here is a just and righteous discipline of a Master and Lodge, in which the Grand Lodge heartily concurred, as was right and proper :—

At a regular meeting of the Lodge the ballot was taken on a petition for initiation, and the Worshipful Master ordered a second ballot. After the Worshipful Master and Wardens had voted, the Worshipful Master recalled the ballot and deferred further action on it, and ordered charges preferred against a member who was in the Lodge, and who he said had made a threat to reject all future petitioners. The matter in this shape was presented to me for decision. I decided the action of the Worshipful Master illegal, and that the candidate was rejected. The Master had no right to recall the ballot, and the member, being free from charges at the time, was only exercising a Masonic right to which he was entitled. I wish I could end this case here, but soon after this I received charges against the Worshipful Master, and, believing the harmony of the Lodge could be better preserved, I suspended him from office, and placed the Lodge under the control of the Senior Warden.

The Grand Master had granted dispensations for the formation of two new Lodges, and denied four other applications. He granted one dispensation for a Lodge to appear in public in a Fourth of July procession, but that let in on him such a "tidal wave" of similar applications that he shut down the gate on all of them. We find this notice of the Grand Secretary's illness :—

A communication from Bro. GOULEY, Grand Secretary, was read, announcing his severe illness from malarial dysentery, and asking to be excused from attendance at the present meeting, stating that he had completed all his reports, and made the necessary arrangements for the satisfactory transaction of the business of his office, through his assistant, Bro. GOODFELLOW.

His request was granted, and a vote of sympathy in his affliction was unanimously passed.

The R. W. THEODORE S. PARVIN, the veteran Grand Secretary of Iowa, and formerly of this jurisdiction, visited the Grand Lodge and was received with appropriate honors. He found only two members living that were then attendants upon the Grand Lodge.

The Committee on Grievances made one report on thirty-eight cases before them. One case was an appeal from *Lambskin* Lodge, No. 460, for expelling a crooked brother, who had sued the Junior Warden for slander, because, in obedience to the commands of his Lodge, he had preferred charges against him in another case. He felt himself aggrieved to the amount of \$50,000. The committee and Grand Lodge confirmed the verdict of the Lodge.

Another had had a difficulty with his father-in-law—not the feminine gender, in this case—because he had taken his daughter (wife of the complaining brother) away from her husband. It was alleged that the accused "did not believe in God." The Lodge found in his favor and the Grand Lodge left the verdict undisturbed.

In another case a brother was suspended for "threatening to blackball every person who should petition the Lodge for twelve months," and actually showing his ballot to others. "Served him right," said the committee, and so say we.

They have a Grand Lodge committee on "transportation and hotels," whose duties are obvious. How would such a committee do in San Francisco?

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was from the pen of the Grand Secretary, being a review of the proceedings of forty Grand Lodges, all that he had received prior to his severe illness. California receives a liberal notice. Bro. ABELL is again scolded for not "arranging the proceedings under specific heads." Our brother is somewhat facetious in his reference to some of our proposed legislation. As for instance :—

As a specimen of proposed legislation, we extract the following :—

Bro. ROLLIN DUNSHEE presented a proposed amendment to the Constitution, declaring that it shall require three negative votes to reject an applicant for affiliation, and that, even with that number, the rejection shall not be announced until the applicant shall have had opportunity to demand of those voting in the negative that reasons therefor be given—which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We cannot find that the committee acted on the proposition, but in order to help them some we suggest that it be referred back to Bro. DUNSMEE, with the request that he make it more explicit, as follows: "Petitions for affiliation shall be voted on *vice voce*, and the Senior Deacon shall go around with a club and knock all the negative voters in the head." That would obviate the necessity of duels between the applicant and "those voting in the negative," as well as trials growing out of "*reasons* therefor being given."

What should be the dimensions of that club, and how many knocks on any "specific head" would suffice? He finds fault with our Committee on Jurisprudence and Grand Lodge for recognizing the Grand Lodge of Hungary, which he says is only a "hybrid child of Hamburg." Bro. JANUARY'S report is spoken of as a charming one.

Under the head of Louisiana, Bro. GOULEY thus tells us how the Grand Lodge of Missouri contrives to do all its business in three days:—

The Correspondence Committee, in their report this year, reviewing ours of last year, seems to be under the impression that it is the Grand Secretary who consolidates these committee reports in the Missouri Proceedings; but he is in error, as the committees do this themselves, and they are enabled to do it by the very business-like way in which our Grand Lodge does its business. The Grand Lodge opens on the first day and listens to the Grand Master's Address, which, upon motion, is referred to a committee for distribution. Petitions and memorials are referred to appropriate committees, as also the reports and accounts of Grand Officers, and the Grand Master, being in possession of the Report on Credentials, is enabled to select all his standing committees, and such special ones as may have been called for by the distribution committee. This is all done on the first day, by four o'clock in the afternoon, by which the business of the session is fairly mapped out.

Instead of calling the Grand Lodge to labor the next morning, it is not called on till after dinner, and only then long enough to receive any new papers to be presented, say an hour, and then called off until next morning at ten o'clock. What is the result? All the committees who were appointed on the first day have that evening, all the next day and evening to devote exclusively to the legitimate work before them, and any experienced member of a legislative body knows that nine-tenths of the real work is done by competent committees. The Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, on Grievance, on Lodge Returns, on Reports of District Deputy Grand Masters, and on Foreign Correspondence, are all appointed at the close of the preceding Communication, and work on their reports, *ad interim*, so that when the Grand Lodge assembles, and the committees are filled up, most of the detail work is done, and, instead of being called into Grand Lodge from morning till night, to look at each other, "wondering what will come next," or listening to mere fragments of reports, crudely prepared and as injudiciously discussed, they are at *solid work*; and when they submit their reports, those reports are *complete*. On the morning of the third day the election takes place, and in the afternoon the reports are read and acted upon in a consecutive and business like manner, and having been carefully prepared, they need but little argument or amendment, so that by evening all is done, except installation, which takes but a reasonable time after supper, early enough to allow the delegates to go home on the night trains. Thus in three days is accomplished more satisfactory work, done in harmonious style, than is accomplished by some Grand Lodges of half the size in four or five days. The plan we have thus given is original with Missouri only in having the reports consolidated—the other improvements were the creations out of necessity by our larger sisters, Illinois, New York, and some others; and having found it to work most satisfactorily to the representatives, as well as for the best interests of the Craft, we have thus taken the trouble to give a full history of the improved form, (being, we believe, the first yet published) and fraternally recommend it to our experienced brethren in the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, as that body is fast growing to a size where the economy of time becomes a valuable principle in its system of legislation.

There are four hundred and ninety Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 23,739. The M. W. XENOPHON RYLAND was elected Grand Master and the R. W. GEORGE FRANK GOULEY was re-elected Grand Secretary.

Since writing the above the sad news came of the untimely and lamented death of Bro. GOULEY, Grand Secretary—himself a host in the Masonic world. He recovered from the illness which kept him from the Annual Communication, but was one

of the victims of that terrible fire which consumed the "Southern Hotel" in St. Louis,—one of the largest buildings in the United States. So large a space did our departed brother occupy in Masonry that we feel fully justified in quoting, at some length, a sketch of his Masonic life, and fearful death, for which we are indebted to Bro. A. Y. WHEELER, of Memphis, editor of the *Masonic Jewel* :—

Bro. GOULEY was one of the first victims of the terrible conflagration at the Southern Hotel, St. Louis, Mo., April 10, 1877. His body was found on the sidewalk of the Walnut street front of the hotel, with skull fractured, chest crushed, and one arm and one leg broken. It was soon taken charge of by friends. Bro. GOULEY had dressed and found it impossible to make his escape through the house, full of smoke and flame. He then returned to his room, and raising his window called to the then scattering people in the street below. An attempt even to throw water to reach him was useless. One or two of his acquaintances who happened to be there and knew his room, recognized him. All other means of escape being cut off, it was evidently his purpose to attract the attention of the fire department to his situation, and possibly get a ladder raised for his release. But the ladders were too late coming. Bro. GOULEY was driven to the window for air, and finally becoming suffocated, lost consciousness and fell out of the window into the street. His watch, which he had put on, was still running when his body was discovered by his friends. In his pocket were his portmonnaie, which contained some bills, and a leather match-box nearly full of matches, which had been exploded by the concussion of the fall, while the wood remained unconsumed.

Bro. GEORGE FRANK GOULEY was a man of more than ordinary capacity and attainments. He was born in Wilmington, Delaware, February 15, 1832, and was forty-five years of age. He received a good academic education, studied law in the office of Senator JAMES A. BAYARD, and was admitted to the bar. Soon after he went to Washington and filled a position in the land department from 1858 to 1860. He was for a time private secretary to STEPHEN A. DOUGLAS, and became well acquainted with the public men of the country and with national politics. About 1861 he went West, and was a short time in Nebraska on business connected with public lands. Returning thence to St. Louis he engaged in the commission business, after which he entered the service of Messrs. BERTHOLD, SMITH, & Co., as book-keeper.

Bro. GOULEY was made a Mason during his residence in Washington. Soon after settling in St. Louis he became a member of *Missouri Lodge*, No. 1, *St. Louis R. A. Chapter*, No. 8, and *St. Louis Commandery*, No. 1, *Knights Templar*. In 1864 he became the assistant of Bro. ANTHONY O'SULLIVAN, Grand Secretary of the Grand Masonic bodies of Missouri, and immediately after Bro. O'SULLIVAN's death, in 1866, Bro. GOULEY was chosen Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Missouri, to which position he has been annually elected ever since. He also succeeded to the office of Grand Secretary and Grand Recorder of all the other Masonic bodies of the York Rite; and was appointed chairman of the various committees on Foreign Correspondence, year after year, for eleven successive years. Bro. GOULEY was also past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of *Knights Templar* of Missouri. He was an acknowledged power in the Masonic Fraternity of Missouri, and won a national reputation as a Masonic writer. For several years he edited and published the *St. Louis Freemason*, a Masonic journal which gained a wide circulation and influence among the Craft. This magazine was merged into the *Voice of Masonry*, of which Bro. GOULEY became a regular editorial contributor. Last fall he had a severe attack of illness, and for a time his life hung in the balance, but he had fully recovered and was again enjoying robust health. Bro. GOULEY had an original and active mind—was a master of Masonic law, a fluent speaker, and an able writer. He was of an essentially charitable nature, and no appeal for aid was ever made to him in vain. Figuratively speaking, his heart was larger than his body. Bro. GEORGE FRANK GOULEY was in the prime of life and usefulness, and his tragic death will be mourned by the Fraternity everywhere. It is reported that he had his life insured for \$20,000 in favor of his wife. He had made provision for his funeral, directing that the services be conducted by *Missouri Lodge*, No. 1, of which he was a Past Master.

Bro. XENOPHON RYLAND, of Lexington, Grand Master of Masons of Missouri, arrived in St. Louis shortly after Bro. GOULEY's death, to make preparations for the funeral, and vest the office of Grand Secretary in suitable hands until the next session of the Grand Lodge, in October.

Bro. GOULEY's wife escaped unhurt, and owes her safety to her coolness and presence of mind in the hour of her imminent peril. She and Bro. GOULEY had spent the evening pleasantly together, laying plans for trips and excursions, and visiting new places next summer. Mrs. GOULEY was awakened by the smoke. She aroused

Bro. GOULEY and the two began to make preparations to leave in case of danger. Both were calm and collected, and apparently in equal readiness to leave. The smoke became suffocating. Mrs. GOULEY saturated a towel with water and placed it over her head and face, told her husband to do the same and follow her. She left the room, supposing he was following her. It was totally dark, but she found the head of the stairs, which was near at hand, and began her descent. At the first landing she called to Bro. GOULEY to come on, and a voice further down said, "come." She supposed it was that of her husband who had passed her in the darkness. She went on and was met by Mr. MILES, manager of the Cincinnati theater, who commenced hurrying her along out of danger. She would have gone back after her husband, but the strong man who had taken charge of her would not permit her to throw away her life by returning. She was finally told that Bro. GOULEY was safe outside, and thus hoodwinked was got into the street, and escaped without bodily harm. Mrs. GOULEY was taken to the residence of Bro. WILLIAM C. DEFRIEZ, a long-time friend of Bro. GOULEY and the family. Here the deeply stricken widow, unable to realize the terrible situation, received every attention that friendship and sympathy could suggest. Bro. GOULEY was childless. They had one child, a daughter, who died years ago. They were a most harmonious couple, and were greatly loved by all their friends.

There are several theories of Bro. GOULEY's fate. It seems somewhat strange that his wife should have been able to escape while he was not. Bro. GEORGE FRANK GOULEY was a fearless and generous man. Some who knew him best supposed that, not knowing the danger to be so imminent, and seeing his wife in a fair way to escape unharmed, he delayed following her in order to help some friends who were in distress on the same floor, and stayed too long. Others think that he may have made an effort to save some papers or other property in the room, and coming out was stifled and bewildered, and had to return to the room as his only refuge, to wait for ladders that never came. Whatever the cause, we mourn in Bro. GOULEY's death the loss of an ardent, learned, and noble Freemason; one who made friends wherever he went, and whose works will live after him to testify to his worth. He was a model Masonic editor and writer, and a noble man. Peace be to his ashes.

As a Masonic jurist, his opinions gave law to more than one jurisdiction of the great West. As an administrative officer, his Secretaryship was among the most prominent on this continent, and he was the invaluable adviser and assistant of successive Grand Masters. As a Masonic Reviewer, his productions take high rank among those of the ablest, and many a rule of procedure has worked its way into the polity of our Grand Bodies, which first found expression from his pen. As an editor, he has been indefatigable in his efforts to place Masonic journalism on a high and enduring plane, and the more noted periodicals devoted to Masonry, have been for many years enriched by his freshness, vigor, and wisdom.

Bro. GOULEY's remains were taken charge of by the Masons, and placed in a vault at Saint Louis by *Missouri* Lodge, No. 1. For several days he was laid in state at the Masonic Hall. Thousands of Masons were in attendance at the funeral, and it was estimated that one hundred thousand persons witnessed the funeral procession. His body has been removed to Wilmington, Delaware. Delegates of Masons met his remains at Philadelphia and escorted it to Wilmington. He was buried by the Masons of Wilmington, Sunday, April 22, 1877.

One incident in regard to Bro. GOULEY, as related by his intimate Masonic brother and friend, JOHN GOODIN, and we close: The deceased had frequently expressed the wish in the years that have passed, that his death might be sudden, and not attended by continued pain, lingering decease, or suffering. His wish was sadly gratified. Blessed be his memory.

MONTANA.

The proceedings of the twelfth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana come to us in an exceedingly neatly printed pamphlet of two hundred pages, the handiwork of the "Springfield Printing Company," of Springfield, Illinois. As a frontispiece, we have a beautifully engraved likeness of the Grand Master, HARRY R. COMLY, from whose youthful appearance it is evident that our mountain Fraternity do not go to the venerable Nestors of the Craft for their Grand Master.

The Communication was held in Helena, on the third day of October, 1876,—the M. W. HARRY R. COMLY, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. CORNELIUS HEDGES being Grand Secretary. Seventeen Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master, in his able Address, discusses a variety of topics, and gives some excellent advice to his brethren. We hope they will heed the same. We venture to clip a few paragraphs for the perusal of our own readers:—

He that recognizes no obligation in his nature to relieve his fellow-man, can be but the cold pillar of self, and is adorned by no living light; he may eke out a miserable existence, but can never know the joys and happiness with which sympathy and charity towards his fellow soothes and calms the troubled heart, and warms and inspires the pure sentiments of humanity.

He that passes by on the other side his fallen brother, and merely points at him as a warning, and seeks not to aid him with helping hand, although in public display he may give profusely of his abundance, is but a fraud and a cheat, and lacks the noblest principle of manhood—that of charity.

Charity does not consist merely of giving alms from our plethoric coffers, but in the way and manner of giving; it must come from the heart, it must spring from sympathy with suffering, and not from a morbid desire for ostentatious display; it must be as the widow's mite, and not as the cold contribution of pharisaical hypocrisy.

Again, it is more than the mere giving of money, it is also that sympathy with a weak brother, which, through good and kind counsel leads him from error to the path of rectitude, not that cold, puritanical disposition which condemns and punishes with the cold hand of fanaticism.

You will generally find, my brethren, that he who has no mercy, and is continually clamoring for punishment of his brother for trivial faults, is impelled by vanity; or by appearing to be publicly just, is anxious to conceal his own frailties. To say the least, he is not imbued with the true spirit of Masonry, and has no claim to the pure essence of charity.

If a brother is falling, and is weak, do not drive him away in despair, and for want of sympathy allow him to sink into the slough of degradation; but sympathize with him, lend him a helping hand, encouraging him, be charitable, be Masons; and never, my brethren (to use a very ordinary but forcible expression), "never kick a man when he is down."

He had arrested the charter of *Missoula Lodge*, for having failed to meet during three months, the provision of the Grand Lodge Constitution being peremptory on that point. The Grand Lodge restored the same, on the promise of some of the brethren to do better in the future. A dispensation had been granted for the formation of one new Lodge.

The Grand Secretary submitted a full report of his own work during the year, which, as all acquainted with that worthy brother know, was "good work and square work." One Bro. JAMES E. CALLAWAY had reason to exclaim "What's in a name?" for he suddenly found himself reported as "suspended for non-payment of dues," when the delinquent was "JONES H. CALLAWAY." The Grand Secretary had done his best to correct the error.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances reported that a certain Lodge had done right in expelling a brother convicted of the vices of intemperance and gambling.

On the subject of organizing a "Masonic Benevolent Society," the Grand Lodge resolved to refer the same to the consideration of the Craft, without recommendation.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is again from the able pen of the Grand Secretary, and is a well written and elaborate document of one hundred and twenty-five pages. California for 1875 is honored with a full and first-rate notice—the Grand Master, Secretary, Orator, and Bro. JANUARY all receiving merited praise for their papers; but Bro. HEDGES thinks our Committee on Jurisprudence and Grand Lodge went too far in some of their recommendations and actions:—

The Committee on Jurisprudence, composed of five Past Grand Masters, rendered very full and satisfactory reports on a large range of subjects referred. The claims of many Grand Orients for recognition were examined. Those of Hungary, Peru, Argentine Confederation, and Egypt were approved, and an exchange of representatives voted. The similar claims from Lusitania and Dominican Republic were rejected.

There is more occasion in the cosmopolitan city of San Francisco to have such questions settled, and foreign alliances cemented; yet we are constrained to think there are some wild judgments passed on very shadowy claims. Alabama found itself compelled by consistency's sake to break off alliance with the Grand Orient of Hungary because of its relationship with the Grand Orient of France, with which all intercourse is prohibited. The same reasons exist why California should have decided the same way, but it didn't.

Time will determine who is right and who wrong in this matter. With another paragraph from this excellent report we part company with our worthy brother, hoping to hear from him again and often:—

The worst tendency, not only in Masonry, but it runs through all the organization of modern society, is to do everything through, and depend entirely upon, some official agency, doing away too much with individual exertion and charity. While the same means thus employed can more easily accomplish greater results, there is lost the cultivating and humanizing influence upon individual character, that is too important an element to be overlooked. The two features must be combined. There must be left plenty of room and play for individual activity and charity, and not only so, but Masonry needs to correct much of the very general notion entertained about its work. Opening and closing Lodges, and conferring degrees, is nothing but the dry, uninteresting, and comparatively unimportant preparation for work in subduing passions, ministering to the sick, afflicted and destitute. Never think that you have made a Mason till you are sure that it has touched and entered the heart as well as the tongue and head. We are taught that it is in the heart that one is first prepared to be made a Mason. It is also the finishing place, unless it miscarries altogether.

There are seventeen active Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of six hundred and seventy-seven. The *M. W.* JULIAN M. KNIGHT was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* CORNELIUS HEDGES was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NEBRASKA.

The Grand Lodge of Nebraska commenced its nineteenth Annual Communication in the city of Lincoln on the twentieth day of June, 1876,—the *M. W.* ALFRED G. HASTINGS, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* WILLIAM R. BOWEN being Grand Secretary. Fifty-four Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master HASTINGS is an able document—a little too sophomorical to accord with our old-fashioned ideas of the use of the English language, but that is only as a small spot on the sun's disk. We are glad to read this “good news” from the land of the prairies and the buffalo:—

Under an ever kind and watchful Providence, we, as a State and Nation, have enjoyed a good degree of peace and prosperity. Within our own borders have the labors of the husbandman been amply rewarded; and truly we may say that the earth, ever kind and subservient to our wishes, never refuses her accustomed yield. For here, around us, these solitary prairies, so recently the home of the Indian and the buffalo, and which so lately slept in the repose of nature, have been made to bud, blossom, and bear fruit. Masonry has kept pace with our increasing population. Besides many initiations, our numbers are being constantly augmented by Masons from the older States, and judging from an extended visitation to the Lodges, and from facts elicited by an extensive correspondence throughout the State, it affords me great pleasure to say that, with but few exceptions, harmony, peace, and prosperity prevail in the several subordinate Lodges throughout this Grand Jurisdiction.

He had granted dispensations for the formation of three new Lodges. One Lodge had surrendered its charter. We note one or two of his decisions:—

1. A member desiring to dimit from his Lodge should present his request in open Lodge, at a stated meeting, and if he is in good standing and clear of the books, his request may be granted by a majority vote.

All right, except the last clause. We hold that any brother in “good standing and clear of the books,” is entitled to his dimit, and that neither a majority or unanimous vote can deprive him thereof. It is his absolute right to leave, if he so determine, that particular Masonic family; but they should not recommend him to others, except by actual vote of the Lodge. Hence our distinction, which, as we have said again and again, is no mere “tweedle-dee and tweedle-dum” matter.

2. An installed officer of the Lodge cannot dimit during his term of office.

Why not, pray?

6. No less than seven Master Masons, members of the Lodge, should form a quorum for the transaction of business.

Good; but what will our “three Master Masons Lodge” men say to this?

11. Question. "Have we a right to prohibit brethren from voting at the election of officers, they being in arrears for dues?" Answer. You have not. No member of the Lodge can be deprived of his rights and privileges without due trial and conviction.

12. Question. "Is it proper, in the transaction of the business of the Lodge, to vote yea and nay, *viva voce*?" Answer. It is not. While I know of no positive law on the subject, yet custom has become so general as to establish the usual sign by raising the right hand.

In California, in Grand and subordinate Lodges, the vote is always taken *viva voce*, and such, we had supposed, was the general practice; but, as it is a wholly indifferent question, we were surprised to see a formal voting thereon. Some of the brethren will be asking, one of these days, if it is Masonic to sneeze or cough in open Lodge?

The "Orphan Endowment Fund" of the Grand Lodge now amounts to \$7715 10. A resolution was adopted permitting all constituent Lodges to appear as Masons at the centennial celebration of the national independence. That saved the Grand Master from writing a number of official letters. The subject of "colored Lodges" was referred to a committee, to report thereon at the next Communication.

The Grand Orator, W. Bro. JAMES LAIRD, delivered an elaborate and beautiful address. We copy the following allusion to the antiquity of Freemasonry, with the mere addendum of "perhaps so" by way of comment:—

Ancient Masonry stood among its many monuments and heard the great Apostle proclaiming the one God to the so-called superstitious Romans. It was at Athens when Homer sang his hero songs. It is embodied in the sublime teachings of Plato, and upon its eternal truths the immortal Socrates composed himself to death. Its untiring feet followed with healing civilization the bloody track of empire Caesar's legions cleft across the virgin waters of Gaul and Britain, and ever upon its uplifted front was written the salutations of perfect peace. And yet, Masonry is not to stand idly in our midst, as an altar upon which to devote with rhetorical incense offerings to those great epochs that have gone down to inhabit the sombre yet sublime sepulchers of antiquity, mid the clamor and *clat* of ages past; nor yet as a cross upon which to crucify the deficiencies of the present. The sun that lit the passage of the Roman's blade, and warmed the olive and flushed the vine of Greece, still dawns and does his wonted work; and yet it is not the light that melted down the Attic skies that fills the land with life to-day—to-day shall man do his miracles—to-day is the hero and the deity, and the endless succession of to-morrows gives added value to his sway. Not to exalt the past, but the present do we live; not to revive history, but to create it; not to muse in mournful contemplation amid the solitudes of time, weeping over the grave of heroic ages, but to be about creating an age of our own, remembering that man's struggle with self is ever in progress, and that to render any age or order one of greatness, nothing is wanting but great souls, and first of all, by the aid of Masonry, to institute an heroic self-reform, which is the only lever that shall lift the social world.

There is many a fine gem in this oration which we would like to purloin, but time and space forbid.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence, an able but concise review of the proceedings of forty-three Grand Lodges, is from the pen of Bro. J. N. WISE. California for 1875 is fully and fraternally noticed. Under the head of Utah he gives our worthy friend and brother, DIEHL, this rap on the knuckles, which we copy in lieu of anything from our own pen:—

We admire Bro. DIEHL's candor in stating his belief, but he does not get that belief from the teachings of Masonry, nor from the Bible, from which all that is good in Masonry is derived.

Do you believe the Holy Bible to be the inestimable gift of God to man? *Masonry* so emphatically teaches us. The Bible teaches us as positively that the body shall be raised—not our *corruptible* body, but an *incorruptible* body. What does the third degree teach, if it does not symbolize and teach the resurrection of the body? Is it argued that *man* can thwart the decrees and plans of God, by simply burning human bodies to ashes? That argument would wrest from God his omnipotence, and thus destroy the foundation stone of Freemasonry. We opine that pinning faith to the "great German philosophers" will not prove a very formidable *Masonic*

argument against the resurrection of the body. Our trust is in God, and our faith is well founded. *Si Deus nobiscum, quis contra nos?*

There are sixty Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 2509. The *M. W.* GEORGE H. THUMMEL was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* WILLIAM BOWEN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NEVADA.

Our brethren of the silver State have been sorely "tried as by fire." Last year, having lost their building, furniture, records, and almost everything but their honor and love for our goodly Fraternity, the Annual Communication was not held: but, having "risen from the ashes," we greet them on their recovery from the sad disaster that devastated their goodly city. The proceedings of the twelfth Annual Communication are before us, as full and handsomely printed as ever—as must necessarily be the case when the same bears the imprint of our California brother typo, FRANK EASTMAN, a specimen of whose skill our brethren can see in each of our own annual proceedings. Long may he and our Nevada brethren wave in peace, harmony, and prosperity.

The twelfth Annual Communication was held in the city of Virginia on the twenty-first day of November, 1876,—the *M. W.* ROBERT W. BOLLEN, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* SAMUEL W. CHUBBUCK being Grand Secretary. Ten subordinate Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master, in his Address, thus alludes to the calamity that had visited the Grand Lodge, and the postponement of the Annual Communication:—

On the 19th of May, 1875, the building occupied by all the Masonic Bodies of Virginia City was burned, and the library of the Grand Lodge nearly destroyed. The different Lodges thereafter obtained permission and held their meetings at the Odd Fellows' Hall.

On September 3d, 1875, the latter building was nearly destroyed by fire, and the Lodges left destitute of their books, papers, records, and paraphernalia.

But that widespread and fearful destruction which bore away almost the entire City of Virginia in an appalling volume of flame and cloud of smoke, was visitant here October 26th, 1875. All the books, papers, records, and property belonging to the Grand Lodge, except its funds in bank and its jewels, were but insignificant contributions to the mighty conflagration. The same was true of all the Masonic Bodies, and indeed of the entire family of secret orders in this city. Not a room in the remaining portion of the city was available for the safe and proper convening of any secret body.

The postponement of the regular Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge was imperative. With the concurrence of a majority of the Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, and upon petition of some of the constituent Lodges, I ordered the postponement until the first Tuesday in June, A. L. 5876, and made careful effort to cause distant Lodges and members of the Grand Lodge to receive notification of that fact. The month of June last brought with it but small inducement for the convening of the Grand Lodge. It is true that our zealous brethren of Virginia City, through their untiring energy, had completed their elegantly finished hall, which was ready for our use; but we were without returns from the constituent Lodges, and destitute of reports from our sister Grand Lodges. The Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence could prepare no report, and my reluctance in the effort to satisfy myself over the probable publication of our Grand Lodge proceedings without the embellishment of one of Bro. TAYLOR's inimitable reports was well nigh insurmountable.

Receiving the petition of twelve constituted Lodges and the concurrence of a large majority of the Grand and Past Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge, I again postponed its Annual Communication for A. L. 5875 to the third Tuesday of November, A. L. 5876, which is the time for the regular Annual Communication, observing the same precautions as before.

Death had removed Bro. SAMUEL H. ROBINSON, Past Grand Treasurer, and due tribute is paid to his memory. One new Lodge had been instituted during the year.

The Grand Master publishes some sixteen of his decisions, but we find none calling for special notice. He takes high ground against the vices of drunkenness, gambling, and profanity among members of the Fraternity, to all which we say, Amen.

Our fraters are familiar with the fact, often stated in our ritual, that once the brethren were accustomed to "meet upon the highest hills and in the lowest vales." After our Nevada Fraternity had been burned out of house and home, the Grand Master convened "*Virginia* Lodge, No. 3," on the summit of Mount Davidson, the towering peak that keeps perpetual guard over the Bonanza City. He gives this brief account of the occurrence:—

On September 8, 1875, soon after the burning of the Odd Fellows' Hall at Virginia City, I was requested to convene *Virginia* Lodge, No. 3, on the summit of Mt. Davidson. I readily assented, inasmuch as the brethren were without other place of meeting. For the first time in centuries, as I believe, we met as did our ancient brethren for security and privacy, upon a high mountain, with the canopy of heaven for our covering and the wide expanse from east to west for our Lodge room. It was the regular communication of the Lodge, which was simply declared open for the transaction of regular business, without signs or ceremonies. The gathering was so vast that it was impossible with certainty to declare all visitors present in possession of our secrets. Every precaution was observed.

Nearly every Grand Lodge in the United States, and nearly every nation on the face of the globe was represented in the assemblage. The occasion was profoundly interesting, and the memory thereof will not cease in Masonic history.

The proceedings were regularly recorded in the books of the Lodge, and are in print. The newspapers published extended reports.

The enemies of Freemasonry who had pretended to discover Providential design in the successive burnings of Lodge rooms were sorely discomfited. It was a proud day for Masons and Masonry.

BRO. ROBERT H. TAYLOR, chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, in answer to the following objection coming from Montana, furnishes a more elaborate account of the Grand Meeting, which we copy, knowing that our California brethren will be pleased to read the same:—

"Within a few days past we have received an interesting account of a singular meeting of Masons on the top of Mount Davidson. We look next to hear of their meeting in the bottom of the Comstock Mine. We sympathize in the misfortune that compelled them to seek the mountain top, but we should have enjoyed it to have been there and assisted in this celebration of *high mass*."

The meeting referred to was a *stated* communication of *Virginia* Lodge, No. 3, and was held on the eighth day of September, 1875. The Masonic Hall, in Virginia, was burned in May; the Lodges then removed to Odd Fellows' Hall, which was burned a few days before the meeting on the mountain. BRO. ALBERT HIKES, the Worshipful Master of *Virginia* Lodge, at the solicitation of many Masons, and with the approval of the Grand Master, M. W. ROBERT W. BOLLEN, notified the members to meet in regular communication at the summit of Mount Davidson, which is seven thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven feet above the level of the sea, and nearly seventeen hundred feet above the city of Virginia.

The summit of the mountain is a pointed mass of broken granite, yet almost upon the very apex, and a little west of it, where there is a sort of basin, surrounded by cliffs, the Lodge was held. A rude altar of stone had been erected whereon rested the three great lights, and beside it the representative of the three lesser lights; rude chairs of rough granite had also been built for the Master and Wardens, while the brethren found ample accommodations in the way of seats by availing themselves of stone slabs and boulders which nature had profusely there provided.

Around that altar were gathered over three hundred Masons, who, in the heat of the mid-day sun, had toiled up the rugged mountain-side to witness and assist at the opening of a Masonic Lodge at a place so unusual in our time; and there, overlooking a city of twenty thousand people, on a summit from which the country for the radius of perhaps a hundred miles is visible, with its towns, lakes, mountains, valleys, hoisting works, quartz mills and railroads, the Lodge was opened and its regular business was transacted. The M. W. Grand Master, by special invitation, presided.

A row of pickets, designated by white badges on their left arms, were stationed all around the summit. They were near each other, so that none could pass or re-pass without permission. In that way the approach of cowans and eaves-droppers was effectually guarded against. As the Lodge was opened, the white emblem of the Craft was thrown to the breeze from the flagstaff on the summit, and as the wind unwrapped its folds, and displayed the square, compasses, and letter G, thereon emblazoned, it was greeted by three cheers that rang out upon the clear air like clarion blasts. An opening ode was sung by the Lodge quartette, composed of Bros. E. J.

PASSMORE, GEORGE N. EELLS, C. L. FOSTER, and GEORGE W. DORWIN, and a brief prayer was offered by Rev. Bro. J. D. HAMMOND.

The Grand Master made a very feeling address, thanking the brethren for the invitation extended to him to preside on the occasion. He gave accounts of some preliminary meetings which had been held on the coast on the top of hills; of one near Ragtown, where the brethren had come together in that way to raise money and provisions for suffering immigrants, and over which meeting he had the honor to preside; of a similar gathering in 1851, in Eureka, and of another at Auburn, California. But none of these were gatherings like the present, and he again thanked the brethren that he had been called upon to preside over their deliberations.

After the regular business of the Lodge had been transacted, and under the head of the "Good of Masonry," Bro. CHARLES E. DELONG, late United States Minister to Japan (who died October 26th, 1876), was called upon, and responded very happily. He sketched the surroundings within which they had erected their altar. Beneath them was the wealth of Ophir, and around them the tumult of trade, etc., etc. He told them how in Japan he had assisted in welding the link in Masonry which made the chain complete around the world. Up to that time there had been one land where the Craft was not known. Now there was none. Masonry belted the globe. The lights of the altar had been lighted, and now there were six Lodges in the Empire, and the institution was rapidly spreading.

Bro. ROBERT H. TAYLOR (to whom a subpoena *duces tecum* had previously been directed by the Worshipful Master) was then called upon, and responded by reading the following:—

The Lord unto the prophet said,
 "Upon the mountain's topmost round,
 Far as its breezy limits spread
 Shall be most holy ground." *

'Neath God's blue dome, on lofty hills,
 Whose crests first catch the morning heat—
 Whose heights the evening glory fills—
 The Craft were wont to meet.

There, far above the busy mart,
 And from its care and turmoil free,
 They learned the lessons of the heart,
 To "work" and to "agree."

Oh! sacred hills of olden time,
 Whose hoary crags resist the gale,
 Ye have a history sublime,
 The ages cannot pale!

Again, to-day, the sons of light,
 As did their sires of olden days,
 Upon the mountain's dizzy height,
 Their mystic banner raise.

Again, above the busy marts,
 Where human feet have seldom trod,
 We raise our voices and our hearts
 In reverence to God.

Almighty Father! by whose will
 The mountains rise, and worlds do move,
 Thy blessing grant; descend and fill
 Each Mason's heart with love.

Brothers E. A. SHERMAN, THOMAS H. WILLIAMS, R. M. DAGGETT, M. W. JOHN C. CURRIE, and M. W. GEORGE W. HOPKINS, followed in brief and happily-expressed remarks.

A touching prayer was then offered by Rev. Bro. S. P. KELLEY; "Auld Lang Syne" was sung in full chorus; the Lodge was closed, and at about 5 o'clock P.M., the course wended their way down the mountain side. And, though doubtless weary upon arriving at their homes, all agreed that they had enjoyed and been benefited by the exercises of the day, which, with its many pleasant incidents, will never be by them forgotten.

*EZEKIEL, xliii, 12.—"Upon the top of the mountain, the whole limit thereof round about shall be most holy."

The Grand Secretary, in his report, acknowledges the receipt from Bro. ABELL of "a full set of the bound volumes of the Proceedings of the *M. W.* Grand Lodge of California."

BRO. ROBERT H. TAYLOR gives us one of his best and most elaborate Reports on Correspondence, which, with his digest of decisions, fills one hundred and fifty pages of the proceedings, but is not a syllable too long. We have given therefrom a liberal extract. The proceedings of California do not seem to have reached him. It was not time for those of 1876, but why he had not those of 1875 is not explained. We regret this because we are always pleased with Bro. T.'s notices of our goodly jurisdiction.

The Grand Lodges of Indian Territory, Dakota, Prince Edward Island, and Wyoming were fraternally recognized.

W. Bro. JOHN D. HAMMOND presented to the Grand Lodge "a gavel, the head made of olive wood from Jerusalem, and the handle of balsam wood from the banks of the Jordan."

There are nineteen Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 1383. The *M. W.* GEORGE ROBINSON was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* SAMUEL W. CHUBBUCK was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

This Grand Lodge commenced its ninth Annual Communication in the city of St. John on the twenty-seventh day of September, 1876,—the *M. W.* ROBERT T. CLINCH, Grand Master, presiding, and the *V. W.* WILLIAM F. BUNTING being Grand Secretary. Seventeen Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is brief and devoted to the business before the Grand Lodge. For good and sufficient reasons given, he opposes the "Grand Lodge of Ontario" movement. He had granted a dispensation for the formation of one new Lodge.

A new funeral service was adopted by the Grand Lodge. It is not published in the proceedings, so we cannot speak as to its excellence. We hope, however, that it is not more than half as long as that of California. There is no Report on Correspondence.

There are thirty Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 2246. The Grand Master was re-elected and the Grand Secretary was re-appointed.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The Grand Lodge of this jurisdiction held its Annual Communication in Concord on the seventeenth day of May, 1876,—the *M. W.* WILLIAM BARRETT, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* JOHN A. HARRIS being Grand Secretary. Fifty-nine Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master has the merit of brevity, at least. He states concisely what his action had been during the year, and there stops. Only one new Lodge had been constituted during the year. Two decisions are referred to: one that an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft, rejected for advancement, may make application at any Stated Communication thereafter, thus placing them on an equality of right with non-affiliates; and second, that a Master Mason in good standing, being clear of dues to his Lodge, is entitled to a dimit. We believe this last is now nearly, if not quite, the universal rule in Freemasonry.

Of one of the deceased patriarchs of the jurisdiction, the venerable ISRAEL HUNT, who died in the eightieth year of his age, the Grand Master thus speaks:—

As a Mason he had few equals and no superiors; zealous, active, and earnest, he was ever ready and willing to do any duty when called upon. In the dark days of adversity, as well as in the brighter days of success and prosperity, he loved and cherished the principles of the institution, and was ever ready to defend them.

ISRAEL HUNT was an upright and honorable man, a kind and indulgent husband and father, a highly respected and patriotic citizen, and a sincere and liberal Chris-

tian. As a man and as a Mason, no one in this State could be more missed nor more sincerely mourned.

We would like to quote liberally from several of the reports of the Committee on Trials and Appeals, who seem determined to do full justice to those really guilty of moral delinquencies, but must content ourselves with a single extract from one of them :—

We have yet to learn that it is a good cause for a dimit that a member who has been drunk more or less for twenty years thinks that a committee should have been raised to investigate his case before he was reprimanded for a gross offense, in the regular course of procedure under the Constitution.

We have had occasion to say that Freemasonry is a law unto itself; that "prohibition," "license," and "regulation" are alike unknown to our institution; but that by the fundamental law, older than all Grand Constitutions, temperance—"keeping within due bounds"—is the sacred duty of every Mason. Drunkenness is one of the crying evils of our land, alike in high and in low places. The "ruin it has made" meets us everywhere: the waves cast up its wrecks on every shore. If the accused told the truth in relation to his drinking associates within the fold, their existence therein has been a shame and a reproach to the Order, and enough to make it a by-word. It is time that it was distinctly understood by every member of the Craft that either the vile, drunken, depraved, and immoral, or the decent men, should be driven from the Order.

The tenets of Freemasonry are as pure as Heaven's own light; but the mire which is cast upon them by those from whom better things are to be expected, too often befouls it in the eyes of the world.

We are not informed in what Lodge the accused was made a Mason; whether in this State, or beyond the pale of our jurisdiction, nor who these associates were. It is enough to say, that, if this statement is true, the charter of that Lodge should long ago have been forfeited, and those men who have so defiled the ark of the covenant should long ago have been cast forth from beyond the gates of our Jerusalem.

It is time that the business of this Grand Lodge in relation to drunkenness was exalted above the "common drunk" jurisdiction of the police courts. It is time that every Mason and non-Mason alike understood that neither drinking, getting drunk, betting, gambling, or visiting houses of prostitution are any part of the work and lectures, or the ceremonies of the third, or any other degree in Masonry.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pens of Bros. JOHN J. BELL and A. S. WAIT. It is a candid and concise review of the proceedings of the various Grand Lodges, California for 1875 being of the number. Our proceedings are noticed fully and kindly. There are seventy-three Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 7674.

The *M. W.* JOHN J. BELL was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* JOHN A. HARRIS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NEW JERSEY.

The ninetieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey was held in the city of Trenton on the seventeenth day of January, 1877,—the *M. W.* MARSHALL B. SMITH, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* JOSEPH H. HOUGH being Grand Secretary. One hundred and forty-five Lodges were represented.

The proceedings are embellished with two life-size portraits: the one that of the venerable JOSEPH H. HOUGH, the oldest Grand Secretary in the Union; and the other that of Col. DANIEL COXE, of Trenton, the first Grand Master of New Jersey,—the latter adorned with the gown and flowing wig of the bench in pre-Revolutionary times.

The Grand Master's Address is well written, of reasonable length, and discusses freely the several topics in hand. He had attended several Lodges of instruction, and thinks they are of great use in insuring uniformity of work, though he alleges that somebody has altered the ritual considerably from that adopted by the Grand Lodge in 1866.

The Grand Master is opposed to a practice, too much in vogue in the jurisdiction, of publishing the workings of Lodges in the public prints. He reminds the brethren

that the watchwords of the institution have ever been, "secrecy, circumspection silence."

Good advice is also given upon the subject of the "improper use of the ballot." While a Mason has the legal right to cast a black ball as he pleases, "no Mason has the moral right to drop a black ball into the box when the candidate, whether for affiliation or initiation, is morally and Masonically worthy of admission. Personal prejudices, political or religious differences, or petty animosities should never be allowed to sully the purity of a Masonic ballot or destroy the harmony, if not imperil the existence, of a Lodge." Every right minded and right thinking Mason will cordially concur in these views of Grand Master SMITH; and yet, how often are they forgotten by inconsiderate brethren. He says that "several of the Lodges in New Jersey have suffered, and one has become extinct, from the direct or remote effects of such a policy."

Dispensations had been granted for the establishment of two new Lodges. The worthy and venerable Grand Secretary was duly and appropriately honored by the unanimous adoption of this preamble and resolution:—

WHEREAS, R. W. Bro. JOSEPH H. HOUGH has occupied the position of Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge for more than a third of a century, which makes him the oldest Grand Secretary, in duration of office, in the world; and,

WHEREAS, during this long period of time, he has performed the duties of this office with such signal skill and ability as reflect great honor on this Grand Body and credit to himself; therefore,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed whose duty it shall be to procure a steel-plate engraving of R. W. Bro. HOUGH, to be placed in the printed proceedings of this Grand Lodge.

A motion to recognize the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba" was, after considerable discussion, postponed until the next Annual Communication.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bro. ALEXANDER FULLERTON. It is an elaborate review of the proceedings of forty-six Grand Lodges, California for 1875 being one. Our brother quotes from and approves that portion of the Address of Grand Master PERKINS, relating to the use of Masonic names and emblems in ordinary business, but disapproves of the action relative to money fines for non-attendance at funerals. Here is Bro. F's comment thereon:—

The Grand Master observes that the effect of this will be to bring brethren who have been derelict in the duty of attending funerals, to a realizing sense of its importance. It may be so; yet the substitution of economy for respect, as a motive for attending the burial of a brother, is hardly in keeping with the fraternal sentiment. The consciousness, too, of having saved their money would impart an incongruous cheerfulness to the faces of the mourners, while the absentees would be grieving because of their fines.

Bro. FULLERTON pays a deserved compliment to the report of Bro. JANUARY, and has a word of commendation for that of the Grand Lecturer.

There are one hundred and forty-seven Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 11,988. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both unanimously re-elected.

NEW YORK.

The Grand Lodge of the Empire State commenced its ninety-sixth Annual Communication in the city of New York on the fifth day of June, 1877,—the M. W. JAMES W. HUSTED, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JAMES M. AUSTIN being Grand Secretary. Six hundred and sixty-seven Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master HUSTED is of reasonable length, well and tersely written, and thoroughly out-spoken in all its utterances. We give a paragraph from the eloquent opening, as a specimen of the Grand Master's skill:—

This is the ninety-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York. As we cross the line that marks the centennial era of the nation's birth our echoing footsteps herald our approach toward the boundary of our own centennial existence.

Let us glance for a moment at the past; the retrospect will inspire us with courage and hope for the future. When we reflect what the century has witnessed; when we consider the brilliant results that have been accomplished; when we contemplate the galaxy of great and good men in this jurisdiction whom Masonry has honored, and who "in their day and generation" have made her symbolisms a living verity; when we realize that within her outstretched arms she clasps to her bosom the bravest, the noblest, and the best, and enrolls among her followers alike the rich and the poor, the scholar and the artisan, all who, placing their trust in the Creator, give the additional evidence of those personal qualifications which of right commend them to the esteem of their fellow-men; when we view the majestic proportions of this grand edifice, and realize what the destiny of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund, if properly sustained, cannot fail to be, and what untold benefits its proceeds will confer on the widow and the orphan; when, I say, we examine the Masonic record of an hundred years, we need have no fears of the hereafter, but, "taking heart of grace" and challenging the achievements of the past, we may confidently essay successes still more glorious in the years to come.

Animated by such aspirations, and feeling in my "heart of hearts" that hope "beats responsive in the human breast," I extend to you my fraternal greeting, and, trusting that you will, in your deliberations and your acts, bear ever in mind the great interests that are at stake and the grave responsibilities that are devolved upon you, I now, in the name of Freemasonry (that word which, throughout the universe, has become the symbol of high and noble purposes, the synonym of truth, benevolence, and virtue) bid you welcome to this Masonic Temple,—this work of your own hands, erected through your own efforts, dedicated to your use, and consecrated by your blessings and your prayers,—and unite with you in humble thanksgiving for the Divine blessing that has rested upon our labors.

Due notice is taken of the passing away from earth of Past Grand Master NATHANIEL F. WARING, and also of the death of the venerable Grand Secretary of Virginia, the R.: W.: JOHN DOVE, whom to know was to respect and love.

Dispensations had been granted for eight new Lodges, a less number than had been granted in any previous single year, but more than the Grand Master wished or intended to issue. He deems it "unwise, during this period of financial depression, to weaken indirectly the existing Lodges."

Some difficulty existed with the jurisdictions of Connecticut and Michigan about "material" used, but the Grand Master hoped for an amicable solution thereof.

A domestic cloud had arisen which threatened a storm. Some brethren in the western part of the State proposed rebellion against the tax for the payment of the new Masonic Temple in New York, but the Grand Master succeeded in quelling the incipient disturbance ere it had assumed the proportions of a Masonic tornado.

The Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund presented their report. From the same it appears that the contributions from various sources, during the year, amounted to \$137,794 53, and the disbursements to \$135,654 74, of which the interest account was \$53,953 65. There is yet an outstanding debt on the Temple of \$778,046 20, and yet the Grand Master and Trustees estimate that all will be paid in eleven years, and a surplus be then on hand for the Masonic Asylum.

We read the following item, which appears queer to us, the unsophisticated of the Pacific Coast: "The Grand Master appointed Bro. JOHN MAHON Official Reporter of the Grand Lodge." To do what, pray?

Grand Master SMITH, of New Jersey, appeared and was received with appropriate honors.

An effort was made to reduce the salary of the Grand Secretary to \$3,000 for himself and assistant, but the Grand Lodge continued the old amount on, \$3,500 for the Grand Secretary and \$1 500 for his assistant.

The Grand Lodge passed a resolution of acknowledgment to Grand Master HUSTED for his valuable services, and commended "his refusal to accept any testimonial to be furnished him at the expense of the Grand Lodge."

The subject of the tax on members of Lodges for the Masonic Temple caused much debate. An amendment to the Constitution fixing the sum per capita at fifty cents per annum, until the debt should be paid, was, after the rejection of several counter propositions, adopted by the large vote of ayes, 1314; noes, 735.

The District Deputy Grand Masters of the various districts submitted full reports of their action during the year, but we find nothing in them calling for special notice.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is, as usual, from the able pen of the veteran JOHN W. SIMONS, except the portion relating to Foreign Bodies, for which we are indebted to Bro. CHARLES SACKRENTER, and from which we have made copious extract under the head of "Foreign Bodies."

Bro. SIMONS passes in review the proceedings of nearly all the Grand Lodges, devoting several pages to California. Of Grand Master BROWNE'S address, he says: it is "a lengthy document, carefully prepared, clearly written, at times most eloquent, but, above all, thoroughly straight-forward and practical, and therefore a most valuable contribution to Masonic literature." Precisely our sentiments, Bro. SIMONS, and we thank you for expressing them so well. Copious extracts are made from the address, touching the death of Past Grand Master MARSH, the decisions of the Grand Master, etc. Relative to the statement that visitations had been made to many Lodges, Bro. SIMONS has these judicious comments:—

The Grand Master records the fact of an extensive series of visits to the Lodge gathered in groups, at each of which, accompanied by the Grand Lecturer and the Local Inspector, or District Deputy, as we term the officer, he was enabled not only to supervise the formal exemplification of the ritual, but to afford general instruction.

We are quite well aware that a similar devotion is literally impossible to a majority of Grand Masters; but we none the less commend the act, and congratulate the California brethren that they have been thus favored. Of the results of these inspections our Most Worshipful brother discourses at length. He finds the most prevalent subject of complaint to be a lack of attendance at Lodge meetings, and he suggests that, while many seem to believe that only official position is the obligation for their presence, they should remember the "advantage to be derived from counsel, or by the display of a zeal that warms and an interest that provokes renewed exertions on the part of the Master and his officers to give repute and efficacy to the Lodge, when encouraged and stimulated by the assurance that their efforts are appreciated." The drowsy Masons, every ready to enjoy a right, but slow to be seen among the brethren, except at a banquet, he says might exclaim with old Thomas Fuller, "Lord, I discover an arrant laziness in my soul."

His suggestions for making Lodge meetings attractive, embracing among others that "the Master should be so well acquainted with his duties that the very feeling of being right will constitute power," are very effective and well timed. Careless acceptance of material, indiscriminate use of the blackball, non-payment of dues, non-affiliation, are considered, and his conclusions agree with those of all who have thought upon the subjects indicated, that the remedy, after all, must come, not from special legislation, but from a more enlightened devotion of the brethren themselves.

Bro. SIMONS has some very complimentary allusions to the oration of Bro. BONTE and our own humble efforts, for which we express our thanks.

There are seven hundred and eighteen Lodges in the State, with a membership of 81,296.

The *M. W.* JOSEPH J. COUCH was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* JAMES M. AUSTIN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina commenced its ninetyeth Annual Communication in the city of Raleigh on the fifth day of December, 1876,—the *M. W.* GEORGE W. BLOUNT, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* DONALD W. BAIN being Grand Secretary. One hundred and sixty-one Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is one of the best we have met in our run through this field. It is well written and hits the nail on the head at every blow. Matters in the old North State had much improved, both temporally and politically, and Masonry had improved its prospects in the same ratio. Whereupon the Grand Master puts forth this exhortation to the Craft, applicable elsewhere as well:—

Let us put our shoulders to the wheel, and with determined PUSH set in full motion all the activities of the Craft, and practically demonstrate that Masonry is not mere ceremony for the amusement of a spare hour, a pastime for holiday enjoyment, but the bond of union for the promotion of the cause of Truth, Justice, Temperance, and

Charity, and that the ritualistic lessons taught in the Lodge, by symbols, are the foundation of, and introduction to, the works of love which distress and calamity open to view. A distinguished divine once said in a Masonic address, "The whole secret of Masonry is *Love*," and so it is the GRAND CENTRAL basis on which the superstructure rests.

The forms, ceremonies, signs and symbols are the vehicle for the implantation and impression thereof upon its votaries, and he who passes through the ceremonies and discovers nothing but form, and perceives not the underlying truth and comprehends not the grand principle illustrated, has given his strength for naught, and his substance for that which perisheth. *So many* are in that category that many Lodges are so only in name, many Masons mere stumbling blocks. The works of benevolence and charity, of love to all the Fraternity are to them *heavy taxes* and a drag. Brethren, these things ought not so to be. Let us *bestir ourselves* and wake up to our duties and obligations and learn *anew* the ceremonies of the Lodge and try to perceive the lesson.

He had been called upon to administer some severe discipline upon refractory Lodges during the year, even to the extent of arresting their charters, for most unmasonic work and feeling. The result was generally satisfactory, leading to "repentance and better minds."

The Masonic Orphan Asylum had done and was doing a good work, but was embarrassed for want of funds. An elaborate and interesting report from the worthy superintendent, Bro. J. H. MILLS, appears in the proceedings; and the Grand Lodge showed its appreciation of his services by his unanimous re-election to his position.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of seven new Lodges, but, as an offset, seven Lodges had forfeited their charters for non-payment of Grand Lodge dues for two or more years.

The Grand Lodge of North Carolina, if we mistake not, started a few years ago on a crusade against Masonic "cyphers," etc., etc. We should fear, from this extract from the Grand Master's Address, that somebody was still using them in that jurisdiction—it being much easier to *use* a spurious book than to *learn* the genuine work:—

When I affirm that we are much in need of reform in work, when, in fact, I say that the Lodges of the State have not uniformity in work, and in many Lodges no work at all, or none such as good Masons would recognize as the work of Masonry, I may be excused for urgently calling the attention of the Grand Lodge to the subject and to ask for the proper provision to enforce conformity to the true work.

A bright Mason who visited a flourishing town on one of our leading thoroughfares, where hundreds of visitors congregate during the summer, informed me not long since that he visited the Lodge in that town and witnessed the ceremony of raising a candidate to the sublime degree of Master Mason, and that he was utterly confounded and could not imagine where such work came from, as it did not even smack of Masonry, unless it came from some book which he had never seen. And I now venture the assertion that of the two hundred and fifty Lodges working under charters in this jurisdiction not fifty have the work as taught by our Grand Lecturers WALKER, ROUNTREE, PALMER, DAVIS, and RICE. It is perfectly inexcusable that such a state of affairs should exist, and it is not to be wondered at that the benevolent work we have in charge should languish and continue a beggar, when the fundamental *primal*, initiatory steps are so completely ignored and neglected.

There are many Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction that are totally incompetent either to confer the degrees, discharge the duties, or to exercise the rights and privileges of Lodges of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and permitting them to retain their charters, without requiring them to acquire the true work and compelling them to conduct their business properly, is a blot on the name of Masonry, and doing infinite harm to the cause. They are turning out upon the world hundreds who are only Masons in name, having no conception of the principles that govern the order, and little or no idea of their duties and obligations as Masons. These matters call loudly for reform.

If such things were done in California, some of our Inspectors would be after the delinquents with very warm applications; and perhaps the Grand Master and Grand Lodge would take a hand in the merited flagellation. Here is a little episode worth reading, and we clip it accordingly:—

Past Grand Master NICHOLS, while Grand Master, in visiting the conservatory of an intimate personal and Masonic friend, discovered that the acacia had withered

and was dying. The friend remarked, "it is now useless save as a cane, and who more fit to have an acacia cane than the Grand Master?" at the same time cutting it down and presenting it.

It has been surmounted by a beautiful silver head, with the inscription: "To the Grand Master of Masons of North Carolina, IN PERPETUUM, by JOHN NICHOLS, P. G. M., 1874." It is a gift to be highly prized because of the noble generosity of the giver, and also because of the associations that cluster around the name of the wood and the grand truths the sprig of acacia is employed by Masons to illustrate—the immortality of the soul and the resurrection from the grave. No one who has personated that distinguished and exemplary character employed in conferring the Master's degree will ever forget the sprig of acacia and the doctrine taught. I was at the bedside of a dying Mason not long since, and, unconsciously perhaps, he took me by the strong grip of a Master Mason. I asked if he remembered the significance of that grip. His eye, which was becoming dim in death's last throes, brightened, and he replied, "Aye, yes; it is by that strong grip I *shall* be raised from DEATH TO LIFE through the redeeming merits of Judah's Lion." He remembered it. The emblem had taught and Divine grace had fixed the lesson of the sprig of acacia. He had learned the underlying truth intended to be taught, as well as the doctrine of the resurrection of the body and the immortality of the soul—the resurrection from death to life eternal, ineffable, through the power and strength of the merits of *Judah's Lion*.

I surrender the cane to my successor in the hope that he and his successor, and all of us, may ever keep in mind and cherish in heart the lesson the evergreen is intended to teach. And may divine grace so move upon our hearts that the impressions made by our *Type* may be fostered and made perfect in the Great *Autotype*.

May the cane have the further effect to preserve, strengthen, and perpetuate the fraternal regard and kind feelings, one towards the other, which should specially be formed and exist among those who have presided in the Grand East.

We agree with the Committee on Grievances that the Lodge is not the place to collect or enforce the payment of a business debt, and it does well to report in favor of the reversal of the action of a subordinate Lodge which had expelled a brother because he had not paid a debt to another amounting to seventeen dollars. But we do think if any one deserved expulsion it was the brother mentioned below, and he was so treated. Business misfortune is one thing; clear fraud is another:—

Transcript of proceedings of *Cleveland* Lodge, No. 202, in the trial of Bro. J. G. WILLIAMSON. Bro. WILLIAMSON prevailed, as the record says, on Bro. L. N. DURHAM to indorse his paper in bank, upon which he (WILLIAMSON) drew money. Very soon thereafter WILLIAMSON filed his petition in bankruptcy, and paid off Bro. DURHAM in scrip of that peculiar kind. Every other proper judicial means should be exhausted before recourse should be had to a Freemason's Lodge to collect debts; then and in that case we could say what we thought about the whole proceedings; and we say that *Cleveland* Lodge, No. 202, ought not to have entertained this case for one moment, but referred it to another tribunal. However, the papers are regular, and Bro. WILLIAMSON stands expelled, and we have no right to interfere.

The Committee on Correspondence submitted its report in part, and then were granted further time, "until next year," to complete the same. Take it coolly, brethren.

There are two hundred and forty Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 11,917. The M. W. HORACE H. MUNSON was elected Grand Master and the R. W. DONALD W. BAIN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The Grand Lodge of this Peninsular Province commenced its eleventh Annual Communication in the city of Halifax on the seventh day of June, 1876,—the M. W. JOHN WIMBURN LAURIE, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. BENJAMIN CURREN being Grand Secretary. Forty-four Lodges were represented.

An Emergent Communication had been held in the same city on the thirty-first day of August, 1875, under the auspices of the same Grand Officers. It had been called to lay the corner-stone of the new Freemasons' Hall in Halifax. The ceremonies must have been very interesting. In the cavity of the corner-stone were deposited, besides the present memorials, the contents of the boxes of the two preceding halls. The corner-stone of the first was laid in 1805 by the Duke of Kent.

father of Queen VICTORIA, and grandfather of the present Grand Master of England; and that of the second by the late Grand Master ALEXANDER KEITH in 1850. At the late ceremony, an excellent oration was delivered by the Rev. CARSON TOWNSEND, of Amherst. An extract or two from this excellent address will bear a perusal:—

Are Masons better or wiser men than others; and if not, what is the use of their knowledge and secrets? Now in reply to all this, Masons frankly admit that their confraternity is a secret society—secret so far as its terms of admission, its vows and its ritualism are concerned; but its avowed principles openly declare it to be a band of God-fearing brethren, and not a cabal of designing conspirators. Its known works are deeds of love and mercy, and not destruction and revolution. The symbols of its government, its instruction and its degrees are the highest expression of order, obedience and harmony, and the Supreme authority which stands forth prominently in the midst of all their assemblies is the ever-open law of the most high God. Can evil, I ask, proceed from such an institution?

Whose are the glorious names that adorn the history of Freemasonry—the brilliant stars that illumine its Ancient Roll, noble names of heaven-born genius—of renowned patriotism, of undaunted valor? Have we not reason to pride ourselves on a Fraternity in which kings and nobles in the olden times as well as in the present, delighted and do still delight; in which the capacious minds of Sir ISAAC NEWTON and BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, and the intellectual LOCKE rejoiced—with which such great warriors of modern times as Sir JOHN MOORE, LORD NELSON, and last, though not least, nay grandest of all, the immortal WELLINGTON, and hundreds of others identified themselves. Again turning to our neighbors, of the past Presidents of the United States but four were strangers to the Craft. In the Courts and Legislative Halls of that nation, we find such names as PATRICK HENRY, Judge MARSHALL, DEWITT CLINTON, LIVINGSTON, the learned and logical JURIST STORY, and numbers of others in Church and State, in science and literature, to be added to the long roll of illustrious men recorded in the annals of Freemasonry. Again then, I challenge an answer, can evil proceed from such an institution, except, alas, the common evil of human infirmity. A faithful Mason cannot be a bad man. But the precious deposit of Masonic Truth, like the sacred ministrations of the glorious Gospel, is held in earthen vessels, which are often unworthy of the great trust, too often damaging the treasure by their own imperfections. But though it would be as unjust to cast upon the principles of Freemasonry the blemishes in the lives of Masons, as it would be to bring forth the inconsistencies of Christians to condemn the blessed Gospel of our salvation, yet the true Mason will take the warning to himself, and ever remember that it is his duty, not only to appear punctually in his Lodge at the Master's call, and cheerfully take his part in the work thereof, but, when out of the sacred precincts and the sound of the gavel, to exhibit before the world the virtues inculcated in every mysterious rite and sacred symbol of the ancient Craft. He will thus convince and recommend, by the practical proof of good deeds, what he dare not speak of with his lips. He will conquer the enemy by the weapons of Truth and gain a brother by the beauty of Holiness.

At the Annual Communication a short address was delivered by the Grand Master. He alludes, in glowing terms, to his visit to the city of New York when their new Grand Masonic Temple was dedicated, and of his hospitable reception. He had granted a dispensation for one new Lodge. On the subject of dimits, the Grand Master holds to the same view adopted in California.

The Committee on Grievances reported thus on a case submitted: At an election for Worshipful Master in a certain Lodge, twenty-two Master Masons were present and entitled to vote. One brother received eleven votes, another ten, and there was one blank. The presiding officer did not count this last, and declared the brother elected who had received eleven votes. The Grand Lodge concurred with the committee in annulling this election, on the ground that "all the votes present" should be counted, and the successful one must receive a majority of that number.

It appears from a complaint made by a Lodge in Annapolis that they sometimes make Masons in Scotland with railroad speed. Here are the facts stated:—

The Lodge, I consider, has good reason to complain of the conduct of a Lodge in Scotland. I think these are the facts: Two young men (of good social standing, and by no means needy in regard to money matters), shipped as common sailors, for the first time, from Annapolis for Scotland. They were not Masons. However, soon after returning, after an absence of three months, only one week of which time was spent ashore, they presented themselves to *Annapolis Royal* Lodge for examination.

They presented their Grand Lodge certificates, passed, and were admitted as visitors. They then stated that immediately after landing in Scotland they sent in their petitions to a Masonic Lodge, were balloted for, initiated, passed, and raised all in one night, and for the enormous sum of eight dollars each.

What are such "steam-engine" Masons worth to the Fraternity? On the "right of visitation" the Grand Lodge adopted this resolution:—

Resolved, That while this Grand Lodge recognizes the right of a Master of a Lodge to refuse a visiting brother admittance to his Lodge for good and sufficient reason, it is of opinion that, when such admission is refused to a Mason in good standing, the reason for such refusal shall be furnished by the Master refusing said brother, and if he is not satisfied with such reasons the brother shall have the right to appeal to Grand Lodge, by whom the same shall be investigated.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bros. DAKIN, SHAW, and STEWART, but was probably from the pen of the first named.

The report is an excellent and careful review of the proceedings of forty-eight Grand Lodges, that of California for 1875 being one. The writer compliments and quotes liberally from the Address of Grand Master PERKINS, and adds this expression of his own opinion relative to the ostentatious display of Masonic jewelry: "There is too great a disposition manifested in our midst to flaunt the banners and paraphernalia of Masonry before the eyes of the profane. The profuse display of Masonic ornaments in the shape of breastpins, charms, etc., is also censurable. Nothing looks more ridiculous to a true Mason than a newly fledged E. A. with his shirt bosom hidden by an enormous square and compass and the letter G."

There are sixty-eight Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 3401. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

OHIO.

The sixty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ohio began at Columbus on the seventeenth day of October, 1876,—the *M. W.* CHARLES A. WOODWARD, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* JOHN D. CALDWELL being Grand Secretary. Representatives were present from over two hundred chartered Lodges.

The Address of the Grand Master is a plain, well-written business document, entirely confined to the work of the jurisdiction. He congratulated the Fraternity on the peace and harmony that had prevailed. He had granted dispensations for the formation of but two new Lodges. Several other applications had been received, but the papers were defective, and returned for correction. The Grand Master states the fact that the number of Lodges had more than doubled during the last twenty years, and urges great care in the establishment of new ones. He is evidently of the opinion that mere growth is not always the sign of real prosperity. He had appointed representatives of the Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodges of Manitoba, Tennessee, Pennsylvania, and Kansas. We notice further, that representatives from other jurisdictions to that of Ohio are always publicly received in Grand Lodge by the Grand Honors. In California the credentials are read by the Grand Secretary, filed in his office, and that appears to be the end of the matter.

A special Communication of the Grand Lodge was held at Marietta on the twenty-fourth day of June, 1876, for the "purpose of uniting with *American Union* Lodge, No. 1, in the celebration of its centennial anniversary." This Lodge was chartered by Massachusetts and was in union with that Grand Lodge until the formation of the Grand Lodge of Ohio. The celebration was a grand affair, addresses or orations being delivered by Past Grand Masters RICHARD VAUX, of Pennsylvania, and CORNELIUS W. MOORE, of Ohio.

The rule of this jurisdiction as to Masonic burials, as modified last year, had given rise to some inquiries as to its extent and bearing on other societies desiring to participate therein. The decision of the Grand Master was to this effect:—

A Lodge assembled for the purpose of attending the funeral of a deceased brother, performs the work for which it has been convened and then returns to the Lodge

room, entirely unconcerned as to what other ceremonies may be subsequently performed by any other society or order, secret or otherwise."

Knowing well the excitement produced in other jurisdictions by the proposition of the Grand Master and Grand Lodge of Ohio last year to recognize the so-called "African Grand Lodge" as a legitimate and lawfully constituted body of Masons, we turned with some anxiety to the record of this year's proceedings on that exciting topic. We give a full synopsis thereof, from which it will be perceived that the whole matter was thrown overboard on a point of order. We first give in full the report of the committee appointed at the last Annual Communication:—

Your committee, to whom was referred so much of the Annual Address of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and accompanying documents, as relates to the so-called colored Lodges, and more especially the colored Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Ohio, have given the subject careful consideration, and respectfully submit the following:—

We do not propose, nor do we deem it necessary at this time, to enter into the history of the origin of so-called colored Freemasonry in this country. That subject has been fully discussed in nearly all the Grand Lodges and Masonic periodicals of this country for more than twenty-five years past.

Your committee deem it sufficient to say that "they" are satisfied "beyond all question" that colored Freemasonry had a legitimate beginning in this country, as much so as any other Freemasonry: in fact, it came from "the same source."

Your committee will not attempt, at this time, to investigate as to the transmission of this legitimate beginning down to the present time, when we find more than forty subordinate Lodges and a Grand Lodge of so-called colored Freemasons, and an aggregate of more than eight hundred members in the State of Ohio. Your committee have only to say that such is the fact.

Your committee have the most satisfactory and conclusive evidence that these colored Freemasons practice the very same rights and ceremonies, and have substantially the same esoteric or secret modes of recognition as are practiced by ourselves and by the universal family of Freemasons throughout the world.

The question of the recognition of these colored Freemasons has long been before this Grand Body, and your committee feel that its importance is pressing upon us, and demanding prompt, serious, and decided action.

Your committee therefore offer for adoption the following resolution:—

Resolved, By the "Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Ohio," that this Grand Body will recognize the so-called Grand Lodge of colored Freemasons of the State of Ohio as a legitimate and independent Grand Lodge, on condition that the so-called colored Grand Lodge shall change its constitutional title, so that it shall read as follows: "The African Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Ohio." And if the said so-called colored Grand Lodge shall accept this recognition and make the suggested change in its constitutional title, then, and in that case, upon said action being reported to the Most Worshipful Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, under the seal of said Body, then the Most Worshipful Grand Master is hereby authorized and instructed to issue his proclamation to the subordinates to this Grand Lodge and to the Grand Lodges throughout the world, with which we are in fraternal correspondence, recognizing the said so-called colored Grand Lodge as an independent Grand Lodge in the State of Ohio, under the title of "The African Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Ohio."

On the reception of this report there was considerable parliamentary sparring, when all was deferred to the following day for consideration. At that time the R. W. Deputy Grand Master, Bro. CUNNINGHAM, made a point of order against the resolution of the committee that it was in effect an amendment of the Grand Lodge Constitution, and "must be treated in the same manner as any other amendment thereto." The Grand Master ruled that the point of order was not well taken.

It appears that in this jurisdiction an appeal can be taken from the decisions of the Grand Master to the Grand Lodge, and Bro. CUNNINGHAM appealed accordingly. The vote was taken by Lodges and by ayes and noes, and resulted as follows: Ayes, 329; Noes, 389. So the decision was *not* sustained, and the whole matter quashed.

On the following day a brother presented a preamble and resolution commendatory of the Grand Lodge of Ohio in this particular, but failed to obtain a sufficient number of votes therefor to send the same down to the subordinate Lodges for approval or rejection.

So passed away from the Masonic earth of Ohio this "centennial" bantling. May we not express the hope that it will "rest in peace?"

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by the Grand Secretary. It occupies nearly eighty pages of the proceedings, and is entirely taken up with the subject of African Lodges and Masonry. Our worthy brother quotes liberally from the sayings of many Masons renowned in the Craft, in this and other countries. We have read his report with interest, and are free to say that he makes out a strong case; but for reasons already given we have no inclination to follow him into this new field of Masonic literature, either to pluck thorns or flowers therefrom.

There appear to be four hundred and sixty-seven Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 30,603. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

OREGON.

The Grand Lodge of Oregon commenced its twenty-sixth Annual Communication in the city of Portland on the twelfth day of June, 1876,—the *M. W.* JOHN B. CONGLE, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* ROCKEY P. EARHART being Grand Secretary. Fifty-seven Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master devotes several pages of his Address to the social reunions of last St. John's Day and subsequently, when the Grand Lodges of Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia had a clambake and a "feast of reason and flow of soul" generally. We alluded to this festival of the brethren in our review of Oregon and Washington last year. An elaborate account, taken from the correspondence of a Portland paper, fills nearly seventy pages of the appendix. We have read the same with interest, but have not space or time to copy.

The Grand Master had granted dispensations for the formation of two new Lodges. One Lodge under dispensation surrendered its dispensation and ceased work.

A sale of Grand Lodge lands had been effected, which placed the sum of \$5100 in the Grand Lodge treasury. We find this recommendation made by the Grand Master:—

Resolved, That all Master Masons in good standing, members of subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction, shall have the right, when present, to ballot upon the petition of any person for the degrees of Masonry *in any Lodge in this jurisdiction*.

This, certainly so far as we are advised, will be a "new departure" in the practice of American Lodges, although the Grand Master maintains that it is "Ancient Craft Masonry." We doubt, moreover, the expediency of such a step, even if lawful, believing that it would introduce more discord into Lodges than it would be productive of harmony and right. A sense of delicacy would preclude most Masons from casting a black ball in a strange Lodge, even were the opportunity given. The Grand Lodge, however, approved of the suggestion, adding to the resolution the words, "and also the right to object to the advancement of any brother." Practice under this new rule will prove its correctness or the reverse.

Last year the same Grand Master, in his address, took high moral grounds against the vices of intemperance and gambling. During the year, he now tells us, "the pruning-hook has been freely used." On the too prevalent vice of gambling he has these additional words, which we quote with approval:—

It matters not how or when it is done, whether in a private house, room, or in public; for a Mason to deliberately sit down and gamble with a brother Mason, or with anybody else, is as bad as robbing him of his money, and should be so punished. Any brother who would stoop so low as to deal faro or any other game, or even keep a record of the game, is totally unworthy the honors of Masonry. He is a foul blot on its pure and noble escutcheons, and should at once be placed on trial and severely dealt with. As long as we permit such men to remain in our ranks, just so long shall we keep good men out; for how often are such men pointed out with the finger of scorn as a "pretty subject for Masonry; if that is the kind of men admit I do you

not wish to join your Order." When a Mason gambles, he not only disgraces himself, but brings the Fraternity into disrepute.

The "Educational Fund," at interest, now amounts to the sum of \$14,734 90. The Grand Lodge of Utah was formally recognized.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bro. S. F. CHADWICK, being a review of the proceedings of forty-four Grand Lodges. California does not appear in the list.

There are fifty-seven Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 2248. The M.: W.: J. H. KUNZIE was elected Grand Master and the R.: W.: ROCKEY P. EARHART was re-elected Grand Secretary.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Our brethren of the Keystone State, like those of Little Rhody, have a queer way of getting up and publishing their proceedings. Sometimes that proverbial personage, a Philadelphia lawyer, would be puzzled to connect all the links and form a perfect chain. We have before us, in a handsomely printed pamphlet, in large clear type and fine paper, an "abstract of the proceedings during the year 1876."

Several Quarterly Communications preceded the Annual Convocation, at all of which the R.: W.: ROBERT CLARK presided as Grand Master and the R.: W.: JOHN THOMSON was Grand Secretary.

The first was held March the first, 1876, when the R.: W.: RICHARD VAUX submitted his able report on the German Lodges, to which we referred in our last report. The only other business transacted was the expulsion of a Master and the revoking of the charter of his Lodge for "admitting clandestine Masons as visitors to his Lodge."

The second was held June the seventh, and only took cognizance of a proposed amendment to the by-laws of a subordinate Lodge.

The third was held September the sixth, when the "Ahiman Rezon" was revised, and the Grand Secretary submitted a tabular report of the condition of the Lodges.

At the fourth Communication, held December the sixth, the Grand Officers were elected, and the Finance Committee reported at length upon the finances of the Grand Lodge. The receipts of the year had been \$144,031 73, and the expenditures \$138,731 45. The Fraternity are still owing \$1,320,500 on their Masonic Temple, the same being in the shape of marketable securities at six per cent., which we are told "command the highest premiums of any securities offered in the stock market." The "Temple Committee" reported that 125,850 persons visited the new Temple during the Centennial Exhibition.

On the report of a special committee (Bro. R. VAUX chairman) in favor thereof, the Grand Lodge recognized the new "Grand Lodge of Cuba."

The Annual Communication was held in Philadelphia (as were all the others) on the twenty-seventh day of December, 1876.

The Committee on Appeals, in deciding a certain case, laid down these principles, which we recognize as good Masonic law and common sense:—

Your committee are unanimous in deciding that if, in any transactions by a member of a Lodge, he commits wilful, deliberate perjury, it matters not in what transaction, whether in business relations with Masons or with the profane, and the crime is proven, either in the courts of the country or before his Lodge, or any regularly constituted Masonic tribunal, such a person is disqualified, both in morals and in Freemasonry, from continuing his membership in the Lodge, and he should be expelled. Perjury is such a heinous moral offence that it utterly vitiates the Masonic relations and destroys the tie which binds the brotherhood; and he who is guilty is unworthy of the respect, confidence, and association of Freemasons, and must be driven out of a fraternity which places such paramount, sacred, and solemn reliance in the honor, truth, and veracity of all its members.

The newly elected Grand Officers were installed, after which Grand Master CLARK delivered a short Address.

This is all the business of this session, except the appointment of committees, that is recorded. The Annual Communication is thus thrown into the shade by its pretentious quarterlies.

We have then given in full the Report of the Committee on the Grand Lodge of Cuba, and also the Report of the Committee on Correspondence from the same pen, which is but little more than an acknowledgment of the receipt of the proceedings of other Grand Bodies. We give the notice of California in full as a specimen of the entire report:—

CALIFORNIA.

Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of California, being the twenty-sixth Annual Communication, held at San Francisco, October, 1875. *M. W.* GEORGE CLEMENT PERKINS, Grand Master, presiding.

The Grand Master's Address was a very eloquent one, and the statement of the Grand Secretary was very interesting.

R. W. WILLIAM A. JANUARY, chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, notices our proceedings for 1874.

M. W. JOHN MILLS BROWNE was elected Grand Master, and *R. W.* ALEXANDER G. ABELL, Grand Secretary. The labors of the Grand Secretary in the preparation of this volume deserve commendation.

We regret this brevity. Bro. VAUX writes so well when he wishes, that we can hardly accept this meagre scrap from his pen.

There are three hundred and seventy Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 38,236. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

QUEBEC.

The Grand Lodge of this jurisdiction commenced its seventh Annual Communication in the city of Montreal on the twenty-seventh day of September, 1876,—the *M. W.* JOHN H. GRAHAM, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* JOHN H. ISAACSON being Grand Secretary. Fifty-six Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master's Address opens with a suitable reference to the favor of Almighty God, who had granted them a year of peace, harmony, and prosperity. Dispensations had been granted for the formation of four new Lodges.

On the subject of Lodge funds and expenditures the Grand Master has this well-written and judicious paragraph:—

It seems particularly necessary that I should call the especial attention of the representatives of Lodges, in Grand Lodge assembled, to the very important subjects of Lodge incomes and expenditures. All funds of the Lodge should safely and profitably be invested or deposited in savings or other banks by the proper officers as frequently as even a small amount is on hand; and a semi-annual or annual official report of the same be made to the Lodge; and moneys should be drawn from its funds only as needed for the relief of urgent distress, except after due consideration by the Lodge or by its officers, as prescribed by the by-laws. I fear that some Lodges are too remiss in regard to this important matter. It appears to me also that some Lodges need admonition in regard to their various expenditures. Over frequent, after-labor refreshment ought not to be indulged in at the expense of the Lodge, perhaps not oftener than quarterly, and should then be governed by a rigid but generous economy, and the strictest regard for the best possible promotion of social intercourse. I fear also that some Lodges are too fond of mere display in fitting up their Lodge-rooms, and are sometimes actuated by a desire to emulate or outdo their older and perhaps wealthier neighbors, while something less expensive would be amply sufficient, and would leave more funds for the great purpose of true benevolence and the more abundant relief of our brethren or their widows or orphans in distress. My brethren, think of these things.

Although the efforts made for a recognition of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, by the Grand Lodge of England, had not met with full success, the Grand Master was sanguine in the hope and belief that all difficulties would be happily surmounted before the lapse of another year. The main obstacle is that the Grand Lodge of England still insists that it shall have supervision and control over such of the Lodges

as, having received charters from it, still desire to retain their old allegiance—while the Grand Lodge of Quebec, equally with our United States Grand Lodges, insists on allegiance to itself alone, and that the old charters being surrendered, new ones shall be obtained from itself. It is a small cloud upon the horizon, but not portentous, we trust, of any severe or devastating storm.

He regards with disfavor the movement of certain brethren, looking to the establishment of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, but hopes that conciliatory action and forbearance may prevent the spread of the schism.

Our readers will be pleased to see what our Canadian brother has to say of the "Colored Question" on this side of the border:—

Among the many incidents peculiar to this Centennial year of our good brethren and neighbors of the great Republic on our southern boundary, has been the thrusting into what I cannot otherwise than consider than undue and unwise prominence of the subject of the colored private and Grand Lodges, so-called, reported to exist there, and likewise to call attention to those claiming existence in the Province of Ontario, whose application for recognition has heretofore been laid before me.

It appears to me to be far better for the colored people themselves for us patiently to await the more full development of their destiny on this continent. The gravest possible doubts exist in my own mind as to the regularity of any of those so-called Lodges of colored Freemasons, either in the United States or Canada, and hence if they are irregular, as I believe, no proposals for their recognition can be entertained by this or any other duly constituted Grand Lodge; the more especially as these so-called colored Grand Lodges claim to exist where regular and duly constituted and recognized Grand Lodges of Freemasons exist already. "Freemasons are of all nations, tongues, kindreds, and languages," but all regular private Lodges alone have the initial and final right to decide who shall or shall not become regular members of our Fraternity, and no new regular private Lodges can be created except in the manner prescribed by the Constitution, and no proposition for the recognition of any Grand Lodge should be entertained except on the basis of exclusive jurisdiction of each Grand Lodge within its prescribed and lawful territory.

Our Constitutions do not require any "fifteenth" or other amendments to meet the wants of all people, or to conserve the just rights of all regular Lodges of Freemasons of every color.

The Grand Chaplain is somewhat more than an ornamental appendage to the Grand Lodge in this jurisdiction. He is expected to deliver an address or discourse, before the Grand Lodge, on some Masonic topic. Bro. NYE was the fortunate individual on this occasion, and he favored the brethren with some excellent thoughts and advice, based on this text: "Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the King."

The "Board of General Purposes" in the Canadian Grand Lodges seems to us to monopolize about all the work apportioned out in our Grand Lodges to half a dozen committees. But as it is a permanent body, the whole year is before it for work. One of its reports on grievances or appeals presented a novel transaction in Masonry. On a certain occasion, a Past Master presided in a subordinate Lodge in the absence of the Worshipful Master. A candidate was reported upon favorably, but the ballot was unfavorable. The presiding Past Master ordered the ballot to be spread a second and a third time, the result still being unfavorable. The acting Worshipful Master then declared the candidate rejected, as was very palpably the fact. But later in the evening, after a brief suspension, and a calling on again at about half-past nine, when several brothers had left and gone home, the acting Worshipful Master ordered the ballot to be spread for the *fourth* time, which, being favorable, the candidate was *immediately initiated*. At the next Regular Communication, the same Past Master being in the East, the Entered Apprentice was called forward for examination, when the Secretary notified the acting Worshipful Master and the Lodge that it was the Worshipful Master's positive order that the second degree should *not* be conferred until after the meeting of the Grand Lodge. But the Past Master ruled that as there were no *documents* on the table, the brother was entitled to receive his second degree, and he then and there conferred the same upon him.

The Board could not but consider this as unconstitutional and un-Masonic action, and adjudged as a penalty a suspension for six months. It *should* have been for six years, although our zealous brother moved to amend so as to make the penalty only a censure. We believe that we have not quite matched that action on the Pacific Coast.

There is no Report on Correspondence. There are sixty-three Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 2716. The *M. W.* JAMES DUNBAR was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* JOHN H. ISAACSON was re-elected Grand Secretary.

RHODE ISLAND.

The Grand Secretary of the "Grand Lodge of the most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations" has such a queer way of making out the proceedings of that Grand Body that it is hard for a reviewer to tell where is the beginning, middle, or ending of the same. Perhaps he was thinking of that scripture motto, "The last shall be first," for in this pamphlet the Address of the Grand Master is at the end, and not at the beginning of the pamphlet. So we must give the hash as we find it—excellent indeed in materials and taste—and leave the reader to determine which of the ingredients is meat and which potato.

The pamphlet before us is adorned with several fine engravings. As a frontispiece we have the genial countenance of the NESTOR of Rhode Island Masonry, *M. W.* Past Grand Master JAMES HUTCHINSON, who, although almost an octogenarian, still retains his love for, and active participation in, the good work. He looks as smiling and benevolent as if he had just returned from one of those world-renowned Rhode Island clam-bakes. We have also a speaking likeness of Past Grand Treasurer G. T. SEVENTS, who filled that office for fifteen years prior to his death, in 1875. We have also engravings of the new City Hall, and also of the new County Court House in Providence, of the laying of the corner-stones of which we have full accounts in the proceedings. But how both were laid "in Ample Form in the E. A. degree" puzzles us. We suppose it is a Yankee notion of the little State.

To begin at the beginning, *i.e.*, of the pamphlet before us:—

A "Festival Communication" of the Grand Lodge was held in Providence on the twenty-fourth day of June, 1875.—the *M. W.* NICHOLAS VAN SLYCK, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* EDWIN BAKER being Grand Secretary. This Communication was called to lay the corner-stone of the new City Hall, which was done in "Ample Form, in the Entered Apprentice degree," accompanied by volleys of artillery—another new and striking feature in Masonic work.

The worthy Grand Chaplain, Bro. HENRY W. RUGG, delivered, as a preliminary, an excellent "eulogy on Masonry," which is so very good that we venture to clip a bud or two:—

We point to its numbers and resources, never so great in any time preceding. We think of the watch-fires of the Lodges burning up and down the slopes of the Atlantic and Pacific, their beams flashing along the valleys and the hillsides of the old world and the new, while heart answers to heart in Masonic fellowship wherever civilization has extended. We call to mind some of the central organizations of the Order—such as the Grand Lodge of Great Britain, presided over by the Prince of Wales, which includes a membership counted by hundreds of thousands, among whom shine some of the brightest lights of science, literature, and religion—or the Grand Lodge of United Germany, of which the Emperor William is the honored head, and which calls to its Communications many of the strongest intellects of that scholarly land. Surely, Masonry must have some character, some adaptedness to human needs, to attract and hold such a membership as this.

In the United States there are between forty and fifty Grand Lodges, with nearly ten thousand subordinate organizations, the aggregate membership of which is about three quarters of a million. The number of Masons belonging to the twenty-seven working Lodges of Rhode Island is nearly five thousand.

And whom does this membership comprise? They are men gathered from different classes, pursuits, and avocations, holding to widely-varying ideas and practices

in many things, but yet bound together by the strong ties of Masonic brotherhood. Take them as a body, and are they not good citizens? Are they not orderly and law-abiding members of the community? In private and public virtues do they not favorably compare with other classes of society? Far be it from me to indulge in any vain boastings, or to assert that every Mason is a true man in character and life, as he should be if faithful to the demands laid upon him at our altars. But this I may claim: that the membership of our Order, taken as a whole, are not deficient in the performance of those duties which belong to high-minded, generous, and virtuous living, and that they exemplify in some considerable degree the attributes that go to make up *genuine manhood*.

It ministers to man's social nature. It recognizes and exalts the sympathies and sensibilities that lie at the very foundation of life. Brotherhood and fellowship are among the grand watchwords with which it goes forth to win men from selfishness—to break through the hard crust of exclusiveness and kindle the electric fire of love that shall leap from heart to heart, and fuse all souls together in sweet accord. In unfolding the great idea of brotherhood and fellowship, Masoury passes its own lines, declaring with emphasis, that “no man liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself;” and that the sympathies and charities of the true Mason should be world-wide.

And Masonry furnishes rich supplies to man's moral nature. I put forth no claim in its behalf as filling the place of the church, or answering the highest spiritual needs of sinful humanity; I do say—and the members of the Fraternity here present know with what truth I speak—that a code of the most severe morality is enjoined, and that no man can be a worthy Mason who is not faithful and true in all the relations of life. Every Mason is instructed to reverence Jehovah—to respect the powers that be—to subordinate self to the common good, and to be generous and just in all his intercourse with the world. The ideal may be but poorly realized, but I have not overdrawn the picture. Genuine manhood is the aim, and if a brother is but faithful to the principles he has espoused, most certainly he will be true to himself, to his fellow-man, his country, and his God.

After the corner-stone was laid, an oration was delivered by the R. W. Brother HORATIO ROGERS, the same being mainly devoted to a history of the rise and growth of the city of Providence from the days of ROGER WILLIAMS to the present time. As some of the Fraternity in this State hail from “Little Rhody,” it will give them at least pleasure to read these few lines eulogistic of their old abiding place:—

It is a grateful feeling that the present is the highest point of success thus far attained, for then there are no regrets for a culmination already past, and only the brightest anticipations for the future. For this dear city the tide of wealth, power, and prosperity is still on the flood. In the lapse of time, it is true, the course of its industries has somewhat changed. The keels of its whalers no longer plough the Arctic Ocean. The teas of China, the spices of the Indies, and the ivory of Africa, are no longer brought direct to its wharves. The sails of its merchantmen no longer whiten every sea. But where one industrial pursuit has forsaken us, scores of others have taken its place. The whirling spindle and the flying shuttle furnish unceasing music of industry. All kinds of machinery are made here in their utmost perfection. At this very moment there is building within our limits one of the largest stationary engines ever constructed, and which is to furnish power at the approaching centennial celebration of the greatest republic of the world. Our locomotives haul the cars of different nations. A foreign power is now arming at our workshops. The mechanics of the whole country send hither their orders for screws. The women of every clime bedeck their persons and supplement their charms with the jewelry of our artisans; and the marvelous elegance of our silver-ware excites the admiration of the most refined tastes throughout our continent. In brief, so extensive and so various are the industries of this community, that our skill and our labor produce alike the most ponderous machines and the most delicate mechanisms, the implements of war, and the ornaments of peace.

The “Semi-Annual Communication”—for they always take two bites to a cherry in this jurisdiction—was held in Providence on the fifteenth day of November 1875,—the same Grand Officers presiding.

The Grand Secretary presented his semi-annual report, stating, among other things, that one new Lodge had been formed at Newport.

A resolution was adopted looking to fraternal relations and correspondence with the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland.

Several reports from the Committee on Grievances were submitted, to only one of which we allude. A brother was on trial before his Lodge. On the first ballot at

the close of the trial there was a *tie* vote ; whereupon the Master ordered a second one, resulting in a verdict of not guilty by a vote of 16 to 14. Although the result would have been the same in either case, it was held that the second ballot was illegal—the tie vote being in fact a verdict of not guilty, as it required a *majority* to convict.

They had a little bit of a south-east gale on another topic. At the Masonic services on the festival of St. John the Baptist the Grand Master issued an edict that all Masons “should wear black silk hats.” One brother refused to obey, and, for aught that appears, donned a regular “sou’wester.” He being a Master of the Lodge, the Grand Master suspended him. An appeal was taken to the Grand Lodge. The suspended brother stated that he had done what he did because he denied the power of the Grand Master to issue such an edict. But the Grand Lodge, by a vote of 68 to 2, sustained the Grand Master, and required the brother to make an apology, which he did in open Grand Lodge, was restored, and thenceforth there was peace on the Pawtucket.

The eighty-sixth Annual Communication was held on the fifteenth day of May, 1876,—the same Grand Officers present. Twenty-seven Lodges were represented.

The Committee on Correspondence reported adversely to the recognition of several foreign Grand Bodies, and recommended a reversal of the action of the previous year, recognizing the Grand Lodge of the Indian Territory ; all of which was concurred in by the Grand Lodge.

The Address of the Grand Master now appears in the proceedings, and is an able paper. He is down on all “clandestine” Masonry and pretended Grand Lodges, whether of our colored friends or the malcontents in Ontario. Here is one of his decisions, which is a novelty in the land-mark line :—

The only formal decision that has been made was upon application of the Worshipful Master of *King Solomon's* Lodge, No. 11, to wit : “That a man with no thumb upon his right hand could not be made a Mason.” In this I followed the decision of a former Grand Master, approved by the Grand Lodge. Afterwards it was made known to us through the Worshipful Master that he was in error, and that the petitioner had so much of a thumb as would enable him to do any work required of him by the ritual ; whereupon, and in accordance with the principle upon which the ruling referred to was made, we authorized the Master, other requirements being answered, to confer the degrees upon the petitioner.

This settles the question, in Rhode Island at least, that “half a loaf is better than none.”

The Grand Lodge proceeded to lay the corner-stone of the new Court-house—the business being again done “in ample form in the E. A. Degree.” An oration was delivered by Bro. JOHN H. SRIVERS, one of the judges of the Supreme Court.

There are thirty-one Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 4072. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The one hundredth Communication of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina was commenced in the city of Charleston on the twelfth day of December, 1876,—the W. M. WILMOT G. DE SAUSSURE, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. CHARLES INGLESBY being Grand Secretary. One hundred and sixty Lodges were represented.

A special Communication was held in Charleston on the eighth day of June, 1876,—the same Grand Officers presiding—for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the monument to be erected in memory of the defender of Fort Moultrie. We find this item of general interest in the proceedings :—

Mr. E. T. VIETT, the architect, carried the silver trowel, silver square, and silver plumb. The trowel is the same one used by the Marquis LA FAYETTE at the laying of

the corner-stone of the DE KALB Monument in Camden. The blade is of solid silver, and bears the following inscription :—

Made for
Brother LA FAYETTE,
To lay the corner-stone of the
DE KALB Monument,
1825.

The handle is of ivory, and has attached to it a musty and aged ribbon, which is said to have been tied to it by the Marquis himself. It was originally blue, but has become gray from the effects of age.

At the Annual Communication the Grand Master delivered a long but able and interesting Address. We clip the opening paragraph, and are glad to learn of the brightening prospects of Masonry and business in this afflicted State :—

Again convened in Annual Communication of this M. W. Grand Lodge, to review the doings of the past Masonic year, and take such action as the interests of the Craft may require in the future, our reverent thanks are owing to the Grand Architect of the Universe for the many mercies and blessings which his bounty has conferred upon us. As a land, famine and pestilence have not visited it; war has not ravaged its fair face; want has not pressed its people; the harvests have been garnered in sufficiency. It is true that in a large part of the world trade and commerce have been comparatively crippled, yet no greater share of embarrassment has been felt here than elsewhere, and we have been called to bear only our share in the general financial disturbance. That this cause has, to some extent, operated against the prosperity of Masonry is but natural. We, however, have not suffered more than other organizations. Within ourselves harmony has prevailed; our work has progressed with reasonable satisfaction; the calls for assistance have been met; our relations with other jurisdictions are fraternal and amicable. With such abundant cause for humble gratitude I cordially and fraternally greet and welcome you, inviting your labors and co-operation for the promotion of the great and noble Craft, of which we are brother members and brother workers.

He had granted dispensations for the formation of four new Lodges. He is not ready to recommend a recognition of the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory, because it has not been recognized by the mother Grand Lodge of Arkansas; and he apparently denounces the attempt of certain disaffected brethren to organize the "Grand Lodge of Ontario." We have noticed, under other reviews, the movement towards the establishment of the "Gran Logia de la Isla de Cuba," and as our own Grand Lodge may be called upon to consider the question of its legality and propriety, we quote the history of the movement as given by Grand Master DE SAUSSURE, and which is probably correct :—

A communication from Bro. RAMÓN ILLA, representative at large of the Gran Logia de la Isla de Cuba, enclosing the minutes of the Masonic Convention, held in the city of Havana, on first August, 1876, at which was organized the "Gran Logia de la Isla de Cuba," requests the recognition of such Grand Lodge by the Grand Lodge of South Carolina. On twenty-seventh March, 1818, the Island of Cuba being then unoccupied Masonic ground, *La Constancia* Lodge, No. 50, Havana, was chartered by the Grand Lodge of South Carolina. On thirty-first March, 1820, a charter was similarly granted to *La Amenidad* Lodge, No. 52. On November, 1859, a charter was similarly granted to *St. Andrew's* Lodge, No. 93, St. Jago, Cuba. In MACKEY'S History of Freemasonry in South Carolina, 462, it is said: "The Lodge at St. Jago was established for the purpose of enabling the Masons of Cuba to establish a Grand Lodge in that island; two other Lodges having been previously organized by other Grand Lodges. The object has been accomplished by the establishment of the Grand Orient of Cuba, and *St. Andrew's* Lodge has been already removed from the jurisdiction of South Carolina." This latter action is apparently inconsistent with what has previously occurred, for on thirtieth March, 1821, a communication was read from the "Grand Lodge of Ancient Freemasons in Havana," announcing that a Grand Lodge had been organized there, and requesting friendly communications with this Grand Lodge, and also stating that *La Amenidad* Lodge, No. 52, now under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, prayed that it might be permitted to surrender its present warrant, as it was the wish of its members that the Lodge should be enrolled under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Havana. The prayer was, of course, complied with, and the Grand Secretary was directed to acknowledge the receipt of the communication, to reciprocate the feeling which is expressed and to solicit a further correspondence." MACKEY Hist., 153. It is possible that in the Morgan excitement,

or from some other causes, the "Grand Lodge of Ancient Freemasons of Havana" ceased to exist, and we are forced to believe such was the case, from the subsequent recognition of the "Grand Orient of Cuba." In the minutes of the Convention of first August, 1876, none of the Lodges above named are to be found. These minutes also show that the body organized in 1859, was known as the "Gran Logia de Colon," and not as the "Grand Orient of Cuba." In December, 1859, the Supreme Council of the A. and A. S. Rite of the Southern jurisdiction, authorized Bro. ANDRES CASSARD to establish a Supreme Council of the A. and A. S. Rite in Cuba, which was done. Reference can be had to the Official Bulletin of the Supreme Council, Vol. I, pp. 386, 589, 614, 618. The Supreme Council, in granting such authorization, limited it to the degrees from 4° upwards. From some unexplained reason, the "Gran Logia de Colon" appears to have united itself with the Supreme Council organized by Bro. CASSARD, and while granting charters for Lodges, yet was subordinate to the Supreme Council. The Convention of August, 1876, was for the purpose of organizing an independent Grand Lodge. After such organization, the former "Gran Logia de Colon" appears to have declared itself independent of the Supreme Council into which it had merged itself. It is under these circumstances that the "Gran Logia de la Isla de Cuba" asks recognition by this Grand Lodge. Agreeably to the American doctrine of territorial jurisdiction, it would at first appear as if such recognition could not be accorded without a violation of its principles. To this it may be answered that the "Gran Logia de Colon" having been organized by Lodges which worked only in the symbolic degrees, could not merge itself into another body, and by doing so forfeited its claim to territorial jurisdiction so far as the symbolic degrees were concerned. Such answer would appear to be conclusive. But a difficulty is interposed from the fact that the Lodges which met in Convention, all held their charters under the "Gran Logia de Colon." If such charters were granted prior to the mergerment, it would seem to be clear that the Convention could be properly held, and the body now seeking recognition, could be recognized in accordance with correct Masonic principles. The papers accompanying the communication do not furnish the data from which to derive such fact. I am not, therefore, prepared to recommend the recognition of the "Gran Logia de la Isla de Cuba," but recommend that the communication and papers be referred to a special committee, which may inquire into the facts, and if the Grand Lodge concurs in my opinion of the Masonic law as above indicated, and the facts support it, that upon the report being filed with the Grand Secretary, he be directed to extend to the "Gran Logia de la Isla de Cuba," a fraternal recognition.

We copy several of the decisions of the Grand Master, some of which present novel questions :—

1. A brother, who has removed from the jurisdiction, applies for a dimit, and on such application, another brother, who, some three or four years previously, had just cause of complaint, files charges on such cause. The question propounded was, "Should a brother be allowed to prefer charges against a brother (whom he is willing to continue a member of his own Lodge) when that brother, for his own convenience, asked a dimit?"

Decision. There is no statute of limitations in Masonry. If one slumbers over a wrong done him, it may be just cause for the Lodge, on trial, to infer that the offence has been condoned, and on that ground acquit the accused. It rests with the Lodge to judge what, if any, punishment is to be inflicted for a stale offence. It rests with the conscience of an accuser when to prefer charges.

2. A brother, upon whom charges have been properly served, and notice of the time of trial, neglects to attend; but, through a brother, asks a favorable construction by the Lodge of his conduct; at the trial, his guilt being established, he is expelled; no notice of the expulsion is given him, but hearing of it, he applies by letter to the Lodge for a new trial, assigning as cause for not attending at the trial, sickness in his family. The questions propounded were: "Whether the Lodge can reopen the case, unless the Grand Lodge sanctions a reconsideration? Can a new trial be granted except by the Grand Lodge? Is it competent for the subordinate Lodge, upon satisfactory reasons given, to grant a new hearing, since the Grand Lodge has not yet had an opportunity of confirming the decision?"

Decision. The questions are unadjudicated in South Carolina, and contrary decisions made in other jurisdictions. I therefore decided as follows :—

1. A Lodge, after fair and due trial, having passed sentence of expulsion, has no authority to reconsider its finding. 2. A new trial, in case of sentence of expulsion, cannot be granted, except by the Grand Lodge. 3. The failure of the Secretary of a subordinate Lodge to discharge the duty charged upon him by the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, does not operate upon the convict.

5. A brother commits an offence in the presence of the Lodge, which led to his being excluded from the room. The Lodge thereupon directed the Junior Warden

to prefer charges for such offence; the Junior Warden being absent, the charges are not preferred, the brother asks a dimit, his arrears being paid up. The question propounded was, "Is he entitled to a dimit?"

Decision. Article 137 permits a dimit to one in good standing, and not under charges. The Lodge being the accuser, the charge is in reality preferred from the date of the order directing the Junior Warden to put it into form; the neglect of the Junior Warden, whether accidental or otherwise, cannot defeat the orders of the Lodge for a trial. He is not entitled to a dimit under such circumstances.

7. The question propounded was: "Is it allowable to occupy a ground floor for work?"

Decision. Work is done upon the ground floor; our ancient brethren were congregated in the lowest valleys, as well as upon the highest hills. It is, therefore, allowable, but not advisable. When circumstances require it done, peculiar care must be exercised in tying.

9. A brother was charged with unmasonic conduct, but before the charges were formally preferred, removed from the Lodge jurisdiction; when about to remove, he informed the Secretary of the Lodge where any communication would reach him; upon the charge being preferred, a copy was sent by mail to the place indicated, together with notice of trial; he did not attend the trial, and being found guilty was expelled, and notice of expulsion forwarded to the Grand Secretary; the brother afterwards applied for a dimit, and being informed of his expulsion, stated he had never received the charges or notice of trial; it appears that he had not gone to the place which he gave to the Secretary. The brother asked for a new trial. The question propounded was: "Whether the Lodge could grant him a new trial?"

Decision. That he could only obtain a new trial by appeal to the Grand Lodge, and by its order.

It being reported to the Grand Lodge that Past Grand Master JAMES CONNER was lying seriously ill at his residence in the city, a committee was appointed to wait upon him and assure him of the sympathy and good wishes of the Grand Lodge.

One peculiar case came before the Grand Lodge, which we notice as of interest, because it bears directly upon that "Monsieur Tonson" subject of maimed candidates. The Worshipful Master of *Brewerton* Lodge, No. 183, was tried for violating his obligations in conferring the degrees of Masonry upon a candidate who had lost one of his legs during the late civil war, but had been supplied with such an excellent wooden substitute that he could literally comply with all the requirements of the work. Some of the brethren objected when the candidate was proposed, but the Worshipful Master argued them all into consent, and agreed "in case of trouble coming of it he would bear all the punishment and assume the responsibility." From the report of the committee of the Grand Lodge which examined into this matter, we clip a paragraph, giving the delinquent's view of his action:—

Bro. T. R. L. WOOD disclaims any intention of willful violation of his obligation "to pay due respect and obedience to the Constitution of the Grand Lodge," as he construed the Constitution, Article III, in regard to physical qualifications, to apply to the speculative character of Masonry instead of the operative, and inasmuch as the party, JOHN R. SMITH, Jr., could comply with the Ceremonial Ritual in all respects, and as this was all the operative part of Masonry that was deemed essential, and as the said JOHN R. SMITH, Jr., was actively and constantly engaged in a laborious and lucrative profession, by which he earned a livelihood for himself and family, and he, JOHN R. SMITH, Jr., fully meeting all the other requirements of the Constitution, mental and moral, Bro. T. R. L. WOOD feels that he has not violated the spirit of his obligation, nor done any injury to the Craft at large; and, furthermore, Bro. T. R. L. WOOD claims to have in veneration and love this Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, and claims that he cannot say honestly that he is sorry for the work that has been done, and believes that this Grand Lodge has not been harmed in the least, nor the Craft at large damaged by the work which has been done by him in conferring the degrees of Masonry upon JOHN R. SMITH, Jr., in the way and manner as above stated.

The Grand Lodge found the brother guilty and expelled him from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, and directed the same committee to inquire whether and how far his Lodge was guilty with him in such action.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by the Grand Secretary, and is a genial and full review of the proceedings of fifty-two Grand

Lodges. California for 1875 receives its full share of notice. Bro. INGLESBY characterizes the Address of Grand Master PERKINS as "an able and well considered document," and quotes liberally therefrom. In reference to the by-laws of one of our Lodges—approved by the Grand Master—imposing a fine for non-attendance at the funeral of a brother, he says: "This is a somewhat novel way of securing the attendance at funerals. We should not like to force people to come to our funeral."

Perhaps not; but did Bro. INGLESBY never read that interesting anecdote in WEBSTER'S Spelling Book of the naughty boy up in the farmer's apple tree? Some Masons require the same treatment, or they "will not come down."

On the proposition of a brother to require three negative votes to reject an applicant for affiliation, our friend hopes the Committee on Jurisprudence will "let it rest quietly in a dusty pigeon hole."

On our action relative to the Grand Orients of Hungary, Peru, Argentine Republic, and Egypt, our brother pithily says: "From these recognitions it is manifest that California either knows more of Grand Orients than any other Grand Lodge does, or else has more faith than her sisters. We do not believe in 'justification by faith.'" Bro. JANUARY is also complimented for his excellent report, though the reviewer differs from him in some particulars.

As an humble member of the corps, we doff our beaver at this commendatory notice of the Reports on Correspondence, merely remarking, in addition, that Bro. INGLESBY has no occasion to say "present company excepted":—

We desire, also, to note, with pleasure, the high literary merits evinced by the Reports on Correspondence, which we have been called upon to review. None but those who have written one of those reports can justly appreciate the labor and research required in their production. Many thousand pages of closely printed matter must be perused before even the subjects to be noticed can be selected. The Reports on Correspondence, now submitted, are more elaborate, and are, therefore, more carefully prepared than formerly; and, if we may be permitted to say it, constitute, by no means, the least valuable or instructive portion of the Masonic literature of the day. It is to be regretted that they cannot be more widely circulated and read by the Craft. Knowing the impossibility of this, it has been our most earnest effort to select such portions as will be of most information and interest to the brethren in this jurisdiction, to whose lenient consideration we submit the result of our labors.

There are one hundred and eighty-four Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 7346. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

TENNESSEE.

The sixty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee was held in the city of Nashville on the thirteenth day of November, 1876,—the M. W. J. C. CAWOOD, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JOHN FRIZZELL being Grand Secretary. Three hundred and forty-eight Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master's Address is short and would be well written if the good man would not aim at the high-flown in his style; for instance we cite the opening paragraph: "We meet to-day in the unsullied atmosphere of universal benevolence, and into the ocean of the great heart of Masonry hundreds of clear streams and rivulets of harmony and fraternal affection continue to flow. Time writes no lineaments of decay upon the brow of the time-honored principles which vitalize our associations." We have read nothing more eloquent than this since Senator MAHONEY'S tribute to the gallant Irish soldiers who were slain during the Mexican war. "Mr. President," said he, "the bones of the Irish soldiers are *bleaching* on every battle-field, a *living* memento of their *undying* attachment to their adopted country!"

Dispensations had been granted for the establishment of two new Lodges. The Committee on Appeals had before them the case of one expelled from a subordinate Lodge for "selling bad butter." The Committee thought suspension for twelve months enough punishment for so grave an offense. If everybody in California who "sells bad butter" should be so unmercifully punished, we are afraid the

guilty would outnumber the innocent ; for much of that article that appears on the tables of hotels and boarding-houses is "rank and smells to Heaven."

Steps were taken towards procuring the portraits of all Past Grand Masters, to be placed in the Grand Lodge Hall.

We copy this report, or rather picture, of a faithful Lodge from one of the documents, and wish we had a score like it in this jurisdiction :—

Chapel Hill Lodge, No. 160, is a Lodge of 92 members ; average attendance at stated meetings, 35. Owns property valued at \$3,500. Ritual, records, and morals of the membership, all excellent. Have refreshments at every stated meeting. Have an excellent academy, and are educating several orphans at Lodge expense.

All honor to *Chapel Hill Lodge*, No. 160. There is no report from the Committee on Correspondence.

There are three hundred and ninety-six Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 18,635. The *M. W. E. EDMUNDSON* was elected Grand Master and the *R. W. JOHN FRIZZELL* was re-elected Grand Secretary.

TEXAS.

The Grand Lodge of Texas commenced its forty-first Communication in the city of Houston on the fourteenth day of December, 1876,—the *M. W. MARCUS F. MOTT*, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W. GEORGE H. BRINGHURST* being Grand Secretary. Eighty-one Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is a straight-forward, well written, and able document. We are pleased to learn that, on the whole, peace and prosperity have blessed the Fraternity and people of Texas. He had granted dispensations for seven new Lodges, and had refused thirteen other applications.

In one respect, we think the Masons of Texas are somewhat loose in their way of doing business. The Grand Master states that the signatures of the applicants for some of the new Lodges were all in one handwriting, and afterwards many of the apparent signers denied that they had given any one authority thus to use their names, and still claimed membership in their old Lodges. He had therefore required, as an absolute prerequisite, that each petitioner shall sign his name. A very common-sense requirement, which is our law.

They have an edict in Texas that Masonic halls shall not be rented or used for any other purposes than for Masonic work. The edict has been in force some four years. Notwithstanding the prohibition, two Lodges have rented their halls to the Grangers. For this the Grand Master arrested their charters ; but upon their humble submission and apology, the same were subsequently restored. We have had our say on this subject in former reports. While we approve of the rule as a general law, we do think there are many cases, especially in small country villages, where an exception should be made. And if this exception was made to depend upon the consent of the Grand Master, we cannot see how Masons would be injured thereby. We note only one of the decisions of the Grand Master :—

Question—Does the loss of the first toe of the right foot disqualify an applicant from being made a Mason ? *Answer*—It does.

Four-toed gentlemen will therefore give Texas Masonry the cold shoulder. Suppose the *toe-nail* only was gone ? Is not that a blemish ?

Last year, under a misapprehension, the Grand Master recommended the recognition of the so-called "Grand Lodge of Ontario," and the Grand Lodge concurred. Further developments, however, disabused both, and this year the resolution of recognition was unanimously repealed.

We have a bone to pick with the Grand Secretary. Although he gives in full the names of the Lodges and all the members in the jurisdiction, there is no table of statistics, or scrap from his pen telling us how many there were of either ; and to make our own table complete we spent an hour or two in footing up the returns our-

selves. But we don't like that kind of work. Bro. BRINGHURST will please "take notice, and govern himself accordingly."

The Committee on Grievances generally have some rich cases before them for redress. The usual variety is missing at this time, but we find mention of several where full and ample justice was done in the overruling of the squabblers in subordinate Lodges. One Worshipful Master had a brother tried in his Lodge and expelled for gross slander, as he alleged. But investigation placed the boot upon the other leg. The complainant was a school teacher, who had taken improper liberties with the daughters of the defendant, and others. For speaking of these to other Masons, the charge of slander was preferred. The Committee on Grievances found the allegations to be true, and reversed the action of the Lodge below.

Here is a rich case which we must quote in full:—

W. C. MANNING

vs.

POTTERSVILLE LODGE, No. 351. }

In this case the transcript is a marvel, and the committee could with propriety decline to consider an appeal which is brought up in such a shape as to make it almost incomprehensible. It is difficult to say whether the complaint against Bro. MANNING arises out of a church dispute, a school question, or use of obscene language by Bro. MANNING in the presence of Bro. J. L. SANSON and his family. A trial, however, was had, and the evidence was introduced, apparently, on general principles, and was as applicable to one as the other supposed offenses alleged, or supposed to have been committed by Bro. MANNING. The charge is gross unmasonic conduct.

Specification 1st—That of publicly and privately traducing the character of my family.

2d—That of insulting my family with obscene language and insinuations.

3d—That of wilfully and maliciously misrepresenting and defaming my name on two occasions at Head's Prairie.

4th—That of habitual falsehood.

If Bro. MANNING was on trial for some church dispute, when, in the language of some of the witnesses, "hands were shook and tears were shed," we therefore conclude that that dispute was ended. If Bro. MANNING was tried on a matter arising out of "school discipline," we are unable to say, from the evidence, whether Bro. MANNING is guilty or not. If, however, the brother was tried for "use of obscene and vulgar language in the presence of Bro. SANSON's family," then your committee find that there was evidence before the Lodge, which, if believed, support the finding.

The finding of the Lodge was, on sustaining first specification, 20 for to 6 against; on second specification, 19 for to 7 against; on third specification, 17 for to 9 against; on fourth specification, 21 for to 5 against; on the charge, 20 for and 6 against.

The brother was suspended and the verdict approved on general principles.

The Report on Correspondence — a brief one of only fifty pages — was submitted by Bro. E. CUSHING. Only eighteen Grand Lodge proceedings are reviewed, California being among the missing. Bro. C. writes so well that we are sorry at this brevity. Let your pen loose next year, good brother.

Under the head of "Ontario" Bro. CUSHING is very elaborate, giving the history of the movement both from the standpoints of Ontario and Canada, coming, however, as we have already noticed, to the conclusion that the movement was illegitimate; and recommending a reversal of the recognition of the previous year.

There are two hundred and eighty-two Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 13,345. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

UTAH.

The Grand Lodge of our eastern Pacific neighbor commenced its fifth Annual Communication at Salt Lake City on the fourteenth day of November, 1876,—the M. W. EDMUND P. JOHNSON, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. CHRISTOPHER DIEHL being Grand Secretary. Five of the six Lodges in the Territory were represented.

The Grand Master submitted a well written Address of considerable length. We copy one or two of its gems. Knowing the brother alluded to in the annexed paragraph, we indorse the eulogium of the Grand Master:—

It has pleased the Supreme Grand Master to summon hence one of our brethren, who, though not a member of this Grand Lodge, was closely identified with its establishment, Captain E. H. SHAW, the first Master of *Argenta* Lodge, and through whose efforts, mainly, that Lodge was constituted, thus giving us the three Lodges necessary, according to usage, for the organization of a Grand Lodge. He was closely identified with the history of Masonry on the Pacific Coast from its early years. For a long time he had been actively engaged in the dissemination of the Scottish Rite, and at the time of his death filled the third office in the Supreme Grand Council of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States. He established that Rite in Utah, and founded "St. John's Lodge of Perfection" in this city. He was a kind, genial gentleman; courteous in his demeanor, honorable in his dealings, and possessed the love and esteem of those who knew him best. His sympathies were always quick, and his purse always open at the call of charity, and the unfortunate brother always found in him a kind and willing friend. The summons reached him in a foreign land, far from the scenes and friends of his youth and manhood, among comparative strangers. The last days of his life were darkened by the clouds of adverse fortune, consequent upon the reverses and vicissitudes of mining enterprises, and the widespread financial depression which has fallen upon our whole country.

While we drop a tear to the memory of our departed brother, let us hope and pray that he is enjoying the reward of a well spent life.

"When laurel'd ruffians die the heaven and earth
And the deep air give warning. Shall the good
Perish and not a sign?"

He heartily recommends to the subordinate Lodges the system of life memberships, and the Grand Lodge indorsed the same. The bright side of this picture is alone given. We believe that some of our California Lodges could paint some dark lines thereon from their own sad experience. The question has two sides to it, and our Utah brethren will do well if they move slowly and wisely.

The Grand Master also urges the importance and advantage of Masonic anniversaries, particularly upon the Festivals of the Saints John. We would like to see the same adopted by every Lodge, if they will only keep "the tempter" of strong drink therefrom. But if—as is almost always the case—that is present, these festivals oftener prove a curse than a blessing. He pays a high compliment to the Reports of the Committees on Correspondence from the various jurisdictions, in which we heartily concur—"present company excepted."

We have frequently taken occasion to combat the idea, so common among many of the Fraternity, that Masonry is their religion. But we see nothing to object to in these well-chosen words of the Grand Master, and commend them to the serious consideration of our own readers:—

We are taught that Masonry unites men of every country, sect, and opinion. This is true in a limited sense only. It is true that what are commonly known as sectarian differences, have no place in the Lodge; yet it is none the less true that Masonry is a religion. Many worthy, zealous Masons, in opposing anything like sectarian exclusiveness, rush to the other extreme, and let us hope, without due reflection, say: "Let us banish religion from the Lodge room." What! banish religion from an institution which, at its very portals, requires a belief and a trust in God? Banish religion from an institution which teaches that no one should enter upon any great or important undertaking without first invoking the blessing of Deity? Banish religion from the sacred precincts where we are taught our *duty* to God, in never mentioning his name but with that reverential awe which is due from the creature to his Creator; to implore His aid in all our laudable undertakings, and to esteem Him as the chief good? Banish religion from around that sacred altar, where we are taught that the Holy Bible is given us as a rule and guide for our conduct? Religion is defined to be, "Any system of faith and worship." The religion of Masonry is a trust in, and the worship of, Almighty God, the Creator of the Universe, who controls the destinies of all created beings. This much being accepted, we have nothing to do with particular creeds and dogmas. Let each individual Mason hold his own views as to what beliefs and actions are necessary to his eternal salvation. A living faith in God, a full sense of individual responsibility to Him, and a life of virtue and morality, is what Masonry requires of its votaries. All else is left to the individual consciences of the brethren. That is the religion of Masonry; and he who does not subscribe to it, casts aside the teachings and groundwork of the institution. We need more religion instead of less. Let us cultivate that broad, true spirit, which

recognizes the one All-Father, and the direct personal responsibility of each one of His creatures. When that spirit is attained and controls, let the individual seek his home in that Church or belief that is best adapted to his mind and commends itself to his judgment; with his action in that regard Masonry has nothing to do, so long as the teachings and practices of that faith or institution are not subversive of the principles of virtue and morality, and are not inconsistent with a due obedience to legally constituted authorities and a proper subordination to the laws of the country in which we live. Actuated by these sentiments, and united by the bonds of fraternal love, we can heartily exclaim with the poet:—

“ Maker and High Priest,
I ask thee not my joys to multiply,
Only to make me worthier of those I have.”

BRO. DIEHL, as Grand Secretary, submits a full report of the affairs of the Grand Lodge, which is almost as good as one of Bro. ABELL's. We regret to learn that Masonry, at present, is rather on the retrograde in Utah, and quote what the Grand Secretary says on that subject:—

As exhibited by the table of statistics, herewith submitted, our membership has considerably decreased since my last Annual Report. *Wasatch* Lodge has gained one member, *Mt. Moriah* has lost two, *Argenta* has lost twenty-two, *Story* gained one, *Corinne* lost fourteen, and *Weber* gained four—being a total loss of twenty-four members. This decrease is owing to different causes. The depressed financial condition of our common country, more especially in our immediate home, Utah, has something to do with it, it is true. The law passed last session giving Lodges the power to suspend members for non-payment of dues without trial, is another cause; but looking upon the matter as thinking and observing men should, it will be ascertained that the main cause lies altogether in another direction—in a direction useless for me to mention here, as it is too well known and understood by every member of this Grand Body. Many buckets of water will flow down Jordan river into the Great Salt Lake before your Grand Secretary will be able to report one thousand members on the roll book of this Grand Lodge. But this should not discourage us—on the contrary, it should inspire us to stand with renewed vigor and energy at the helm of our little ship, and if we should not see it anchored in a secure harbor, what of it—our children surely will. And is it not a great satisfaction to know when the Great Grand Master issues His summons for us, that we have labored zealously and earnestly for the dear ones we leave behind? They will cherish our memory, and what else can we ask? False prophets and tyrants, kings and emperors, with their teachings and rulings, their kingdoms and empires, have been swept from the face of the globe. Freemasonry still stands, and will stand till time shall be no more, because it is based on Truth and Virtue. And so it will be in Utah; all it needs is that the handful of craftsmen who now surround our sacred altar remains united, and live up to the sublime and lofty teachings of Freemasonry.

He also submitted a report as Grand Librarian, which shows our good brother an indefatigable worker, and deserving of the praises of his brethren. The establishment of a “new reading and library room” in Salt Lake City, is the result, mainly, of the perseverance and industry of Bro. DIEHL. We wish every city of like size in California could make as good a showing. Here is the closing paragraph from his interesting report:—

Brothers in Utah, the emoluments the Craft derives from the library cannot be observed at the first glance, but it will surely bear fruit. Look around you, and behold the ignorance and superstition existing in our midst. The free school system is denounced, knowledge defamed, and our own kingly art ridiculed. Let us take up the challenge glove, and prove to those high in power, that Freemasonry, even in Utah, has a mission, and that we are ready to fulfill it, and prepared to do our whole duty. Be assured that in this labor our library will be a great assistance. It will be an incentive spreading “more light,” not only to our own votaries, but to many good men in Utah creeping yet in darkness—and it will be a fountain from which flow an everlasting stream of intelligence and knowledge.

The Grand Lodge repudiated *in toto* the proposition of the so-called “Grand Lodge of Ontario” for recognition.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is again from the pen of the Grand Secretary, and is even better than its predecessors. Some of our brother's English is a little Germanized, but we all know what he means, and few reports are more readable. The report is a review of the proceedings of fifty Grand Lodges,

California for 1875 being one, and Bro. DIEHL highly compliments the various reports of our Grand Body and copies liberally from those of the Grand Master, Grand Orator, and Committee on Jurisprudence. Bro. JANUARY, too, is not forgotten, and we return the writer our own thanks for his too flattering allusion to our humble self.

Under the head of New York we find the following, and commend Bro. D.'s plans to the officers of our own Lodges. We doubt not that many a "bummer" would thus be exposed:—

The Masonic Board of Relief of New York City received during the year \$4229 85, and expended for charitable purposes \$3363 12. An applicant, or applicants, from Utah received \$25. We almost fear that in Utah's case the Board assisted an impostor, or at any rate an unworthy person. In a small jurisdiction like ours the Grand Secretary knows nearly every member, and a brother traveling abroad does not escape his notice, and we do not know a single one among our members who has been in New York in distressed circumstances. Strange that the Board does not use the telegraph in such cases. Only a few months ago a person claiming to be an officer in the United States Army and a member of *Kane* Lodge, No. 454, applied to us for \$25 relief. His dress and appearance being not that of a gentleman, and his face reddened from the use of alcoholic drinks, we questioned him sharply, and he was somewhat astonished when we mentioned the names of the leading officers of *Kane* Lodge, and our acquaintance with the standing of that Lodge. We told him that we would give him the required amount, but would first telegraph to his Lodge, when, all at once, he dropped from \$25 to \$2, the cost of the dispatch, as he said, but even that was refused, and he left in great haste, to be seen no more. Just mention the telegraph, brothers, and Masonic "bilks and impostors" will be things of the past. We, out West, have adopted it as a rule, and it works like a charm.

We return Bro. DIEHL our thanks for the extra copy of his report, sent to us by mail.

There are six Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 341. The *M. W. JOSEPH MILTON ORR* was elected Grand Master and the *R. W. CHRISTOPHER DIEHL* was re-elected Grand Secretary.

Since writing our review of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Utah we have received from the Grand Secretary a copy of a Salt Lake paper, containing an elaborate account of the new movement, instituted by Bro. DIEHL and the Masons of that city, towards the establishment of a public library. So much has already been accomplished, and so much of future good to the Craft and community will flow from this good work, that we feel justified in devoting an additional paragraph or two thereto. Subscriptions to the amount of \$2500 had been procured to make a start, and with voluntary contributions the library was opened with two thousand volumes on the shelves. A reading room has been attached, both being over the First National Bank. The library is to be opened daily after the first of October, under the personal supervision of Bro. DIEHL, the Grand Secretary, who can justly claim the largest share of praise for this excellent movement. The library is not to be for the use of Masons and their families only, but for all who will pay the small admission fee. The editor of the *Salt Lake Herald*, from which we have culled these items of interest, thus writes of the character of the new library:—

In a hasty glance at the volumes on the shelves we noticed, leading works of history, science, art, and pure literature, representing many of the authors most approved in the present and last centuries. There are books of reference, cyclopedias, etc., and the modern scientific works, such as Huxley's, Tyndall's, Darwin's, etc., occupy a prominent place. The leading English, French, German, and American novelists are represented and there is a well selected library devoted to mines and mining. The art department embraces the splendid quarto publications containing elegant steel plates of the paintings and statuary in the different art galleries of Europe. Bound volumes of the "Aldine" are also comprised in this collection. Two cabinets are filled with the records and proceedings of the Grand Masonic Lodges throughout the United States and other countries, and some very curious literature pertaining to this Order. This is probably one of the most complete Masonic libraries to be found in the country, Grand Secretary DIEHL having spared no pains to perfect it.

The Masonic library will make a successful opening so far as the efforts of its projectors go. Its continuance and future growth will depend upon the appreciation and patronage of the public, which we have no reason to doubt. The prevalence and general distribution of good books in this age, showing the great progress made in useful knowledge and the advance in the sciences of civilization, is one of the best indications of the truth so tersely whispered by GALILEO in presence of the inquisitors who had forced him to recant his great discovery of the rotation of the earth: "It still moves." Those who fail to move with the progress of the world will be left behind in the race.

All honor to Bro. DIEHL and his confreres for this movement in the right direction, and may others "go and do likewise."

VERMONT.

The Green Mountain Masons assembled in Annual Communication, in the city of Burlington, on the fourteenth day of June, 1876,—the *M. W.* NATHAN P. BOWMAN, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* HENRY CLARK being Grand Secretary. Representatives were present from eighty-seven Lodges.

The Grand Master's Address opens with these eloquent passages, which we give our readers an opportunity to peruse:—

We assemble in this centennial year of the Republic to greet each other; as we note the progress of Masonry in our nation these hundred years; and witness the harmony that prevails in our institution in accord with the peace that marks the intercourse of America with the nations of the globe.

The great objects of Masonry are to spread the light of science and of useful knowledge, to kindle and diffuse the flow of sympathy and love and to promote the interest of morality. These are some of the lessons that have been taught us by the eminent and distinguished fathers of the craft in this goodly land of ours—men whose names, when heard, seldom fail to impress the American people with noble thoughts and aspirations! Men whose illustrious deeds stand prominent as beacon lights in our nation's history. Such are the names of WASHINGTON, WARREN, PUTNAM, RANDOLPH, LAFAYETTE, and a host of others, who, as patriot Masons, in public and private life have left the impress of their character and exerted a moulding influence upon the institutions under which we live and enjoy a free republic.

During these hundred years Ignorance has often led the hosts of Prejudice, Bigotry and Superstition in fierce assault upon our institution. Bitterly has the fair fame of Masonry been traduced. The tyrant's hand has been thrust forth to overturn the stately edifice; but the Temple whose foundations stand upon the rock of eternal truth and justice survives, and its glorious principles continue to be inculcated within its sacred walls. Since the birth of this young nation, freedom has been advanced and many noble deeds of courage, benevolence and mercy been performed in the name of Masonry. May we not, my brethren, assume with propriety that to the benign influences of our institution our nation to-day is indebted for some, at least, of the progress which enables it in this centennial year to take its stand among the family of nations as the peer of the proudest of them all. Long may it remain so, and may Masonry and free government continue to work in harmony together to further the advancement of science and hasten the approach to that period when

"Man to man, the world o'er
Shall brothers be for a' that."

The time is rapidly approaching when the nations shall be brought into nearer or closer relations with each other, when a larger degree of international comity shall exist and when state differences shall be settled by peaceful arbitration. Many influences are contributing to bring about this result. The great inventions of science which so nearly annihilate time and space and enable the citizen and craftsman of one nation to visit almost any other in a few days or weeks at the most; the rapid increase of trade and commerce creating mutual dependencies and mutual interests; the spread of a common religion embracing so many of the nations of the earth and the diffusion of learning among the masses are each helping on the world's progress. But not the least among these agencies, my brethren, that are at work to hasten on the time of international peace and good will among men is to be reckoned Masonry.

The world is its empire. Its mission is the race. Wherever civilization extends, there it goes to lend its influence in favor of law and order, and of equal rights; to teach the great lesson of universal brotherhood,—a mighty agency to bind humanity together and eradicate selfishness from the human heart. We come, then, to-day not as strangers, but as children of a common father, united with our great nation in a great mission. I hope it may not be deemed inappropriate on this occasion that I should have thus alluded to Masonry in the United States. Like our language and common law we received the institution of Masonry from the Mother Country.

May the empire of Masonry long hold its peaceful sway, and its sublime principles spread over our entire land to hasten the time when one law shall bind all nations and that law be the one of universal brotherhood.

The roll of the Masonic dead is a long one in Vermont, nearly twenty of the departed receiving a commemorative notice in the address. Several were of the old war-horse veteran corps, who stood to their guns amid and through the fiercest fight of anti-Masonry. And to do so in Vermont, in those trying times, was no chill's-play. Religious, political, and social ostracism was too often the result. One, Bro. HARVEY MUNSELL, was Master of a Lodge from 1823 to 1866. He "held the charter of the Lodge during the days of storm and peril, and never quailed or veered to the right or left amid the fiercest calumny, standing as firm as the mountains under whose shadows he spent his days." Another, Bro. EBENEZER ALLEN, "one of the oldest citizens of Birdport and most venerable Masons in the State, a member of that staunch old Lodge which never surrenders to any storm, however wildly it may beat about the Temple, passed into a higher life at the ripe old age of eighty-six years. He was well-known as an active and faithful Mason, having been a member of the Fraternity over fifty years. He steadily clung to the fortunes of the Order during the darkness of anti-Masonic times, and was one of the honored few who met in 1846 to re-establish the Grand Lodge of Vermont." "Such men, and such Masons," truthfully remarks the Grand Master, "are deserving of our honor and gratitude while living, and our tribute of fraternal regard and esteem when life's fitful fever is ended."

The Grand Master gives us rather a gloomy picture of the present condition of the Craft in his jurisdiction, and reads the brethren a sharp lecture on their remissness in looking after the affairs of their respective Lodges. Perhaps it would not hurt the Masons of other jurisdictions to heed this pertinent advice of Grand Master BOWMAN:

The Craft should arouse themselves from the almost Rip Van Winkle sleep that has crept over them until they have lapsed into a dormant condition. Let the festal element of our institution be brought to the front. Throw open the doors of our halls more frequently; invite in the wives, sons, and daughters of members and the families of our neighbors, and let the free air and spirit of that underlying social element of Masonry have full scope, and let many festivals take place under the auspices of the Lodge. The members now go to the Lodge, hasten through the work, and leave as if an irksome task had been accomplished and they were well rid of it. The Lodge meeting becomes more a solemn farce than a social, legislative, and intellectual gathering. Let us arouse ourselves from this sleep of death, and make Masonry what it is, a living, active reality, and no longer suffer both our honor and our solemn pledges to be things of naught, but make our Masonic lives useful to the Craft, and beneficial to our families and the world which surrounds us. "Up and doing" should be the motto of all our Lodges and then shall we see vigor, life, and pleasure once more characterizing Masonry in Vermont.

No new Lodges had been asked for during the year, which, says the Grand Master, "is a sign of encouragement. We had better devote our labors to waking up, strengthening, and encouraging those now on our rolls, than to seek a mere increase of members."

As an appreciation of the faithful and judicious labors of the Grand Master, the Grand Lodge passed a highly eulogistic resolution, and then, through Past Grand Master PARK DAVIS, presented him with an elegant gold watch.

The several reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters are quite elaborate, but we find nothing in them calling for special notice.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of the Grand Secretary, and is fully equal to its many illustrious predecessors. The California proceedings had not reached the brother.

There are one hundred Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 8169. The *M. W.* HENRY H. SMITH was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* HENRY CLARK was re-elected Grand Secretary.

VIRGINIA.

The Grand Lodge of the Old Dominion commenced its last Annual Communication in the city of Richmond on the eleventh day of December, 1876,—the *M. W.*

WILLIAM B. TALIAFERRO, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. WILLIAM B. ISAACS being Grand Secretary, by appointment, the venerable Grand Secretary, JOHN DOVE having died during the year. One hundred and thirty-two Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master opens with a feeling allusion to the work of the Angel of Death: "Three great and shining lights that for many years had shed around us the lustre of Masonic intelligence and of every manly virtue have been extinguished, and disappeared from our eyes forever." These were the venerable Grand Secretary, the Grand Treasurer, R. W. THOMAS U. DUDLEY, and the W. Bro. J. R. DOWELL, Grand Lecturer. Eloquent eulogies were pronounced upon each.

Will not this paragraph from the Address bear re-perusal and excite good thoughts in the minds of the Craft?—

Masonry is the most ancient, and, so far, has been the most enduring of all human institutions. From the earliest times of the world's history until now associations and orders have existed among men: some have left their foot-prints on the sands of time, but most have perished, without a shadow of a name, or one gilded cloud to mark the glory of their setting suns. Nations as well as institutions have arisen and been swept away; dynasties have sprung up and perished; the genius of revolution, with her ever-revolving kaleidoscope, has ceaselessly worked in the transformation of governments, converting now kingdoms into republics, and now republics into empires. The old nations of the East have passed with the gorgeous civilization of semi-barbaric opulence and power, down to the dark Plutonian shore and have bathed in its Lethæan waters. Fair and classic Greece and Rome, eternal and imperial, purpling her seven hills with countless triumphs, have sunk into the decrepitude of age; the new and unknown Muscovite has sprung up like a giant and stretched his long arms and huge proportions over half of Europe. The great Christian city of the East, the rival of unrivalled Rome—the city of the Golden Horn and of the Christian Constantine, has sunk into the arms of the victorious Turk, and become the sacred city and metropolis of Islam. The Moorish crescent has pushed back the Christian cross from the Mediterranean to the Pyrenees, and in turn the conquering cross has driven the crescent to the sea, and been planted by the Christian knights of Masonry upon the sacred walls of Jerusalem. New worlds have been discovered and opened to the admiring gaze of men, and our own great continent, from a trackless wilderness, has risen, by the magic of events, to a power and population that transcends belief.

Throughout most of this wreck and reconstruction of the past; throughout most of this alternate chaos and order; throughout most of these mutations and revolutions, which history, in her great moving panorama, has presented to our sight; throughout most of these dissolving views, appearing, disappearing, and re-appearing on the tablets of time, like the tracings of phosphorus on a whitened wall; *before* many of the ancient dynasties had perished; *before* most of the nations and governments of the modern world had had their birth, Freemasonry existed and has flourished, and to-day, after the lapse of centuries, it exists and flourishes, striking its roots into every land of civilization, and distilling from its spreading branches over the people of many nations the precious and healing dews of its benevolence and good works.

We must cherish and preserve it, and do our part to perpetuate it. To do this, we must emulate the virtues of those honored fathers whose death to-day we mourn; we must preserve our vows inviolate; we must execute without departure the obligations we have assumed, and we must show to the profane world, by our actions rather than by our professions, that we keep the faith that we profess.

There is no Report on Correspondence in the proceedings, and no reason stated for its omission. The Grand Master, however, gives vent to his own opinions in relation to the importance of such reports. We quote a paragraph:—

This is accomplished through Committees on Foreign Correspondence, charged with the duty of preparing a critical review of the proceedings of all corresponding Grand Lodges. The labor to be performed by the chairman of such a committee, who, in most, if not all cases, prepares the report, (if such a document is worthy of publication) is great; and the time necessarily employed in the full consideration of the several subjects, and for a proper analysis and review, is not often at the disposal of most people. I have always opposed any and every resort on looking to the payment of salaries, per diem compensation, or mileage to Grand Officers other than Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary. I have been one of those educated to believe that honor is more to be desired than emolument in office, and I have always thought

that the distinction of official position in this Grand Body should satisfy the highest Masonic ambition, without debasing it by the expectation of pecuniary compensation. But the Chairman of the Grand Committee on Foreign Correspondence is not an officer of the Grand Lodge. He is an agent appointed to perform a most laborious undertaking, in the prosecution of which it would often be an injustice to his family to devote the necessary time; and I am satisfied that there would be more certainty, at least, of the preparation of such a report as would reflect honor upon the Grand Lodge, and command the respect of foreign reviewers, if a reasonable sum was annually appropriated to the chairman of this committee, to enable him to devote sufficient time to the preparation of his report. It is, I believe, the practice of other Grand Lodges to remunerate this agent, and I submit the matter to your consideration.

He again invites sympathy in behalf of the "Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home." Former appeals had not met with the favorable responses expected, and, says the Grand Master, "unless a livelier interest is manifested, this interesting charity will perish." Having put their hands to the plough, our brethren should not look back.

Five new Lodges had been formed during the year, and one had surrendered its charter.

So well, favorably, and universally known was the venerable JOHN DOVE, late Grand Secretary, that we make no apology for quoting, entire, the report of the committee on his death :-

Your committee are charged with a difficult and delicate task in attempting to frame a minute, which the Grand Lodge of Virginia can accept and adopt as an appropriate memorial of their late venerated Grand Secretary, Dr. JOHN DOVE. When a stricken household gathers round the open grave of the newly dead, silence, broken only by the convulsive sob, is the natural and significant expression of grief, and the wounded heart realizes the inadequacy of human language to express the depth and extent of its feeling. It is so with us. When at the opening of this Grand Lodge, for the first time in these many years, the familiar form and features of Bro. DOVE were missed from his accustomed post, every brother who had been accustomed to attend our Communications realized the void in our circle which the Angel of Death had created. The eloquent and touching tribute paid by our Most Worshipful Grand Master in his opening Address, struck a responsive chord in breasts which will ever cherish "the household name of him whom God hath taken," among those hallowed memories of the past, which, "pleasant and mournful to the soul," accompany us always along the pathway of life.

Our venerated brother was born in this city on the second September, 1792, and at the time of his death was probably the oldest male native resident. From his early manhood he had always occupied a conspicuous social and professional position, and few men ever commanded to a greater extent, through a long and useful life, the confidence and affectionate esteem of all his fellow-citizens. In the midst of the exacting duties of a large professional practice, and his official engagements in connection with this and other Masonic bodies, he was not unfrequently summoned by his fellow-citizens to the performance of public duties in connection with the municipal government, and for many years presided over the Common Council of the city with eminent acceptability and public usefulness.

In the first year of his manhood he became a Mason, and his after life was always identified with this institution of ours. His mother Lodge early appreciated his eminent abilities, and made available in every position of honorable trust his capabilities for useful service. He took his seat in this Grand Lodge as the representative of Lodge No. 36, at the Annual Communication of 1816, and the minutes of this body record his presence at every Communication until the day of his death. In 1818 he was elected Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter. In 1822 he was appointed as District Deputy Grand Master, and subsequently filled the positions of Grand Junior Deacon, Grand Senior Deacon, and Grand Junior Warden. His advancement to the Grand East was arrested by his summons to the duties of that honorable station in which he won his highest laurels, and exerted his widest influence. In 1831 he was elected Grand Secretary of this body, and forty-one successive re-elections, in each of which the ballot was but mere matter of form, attest the value which this body attached to his services, and the implicit confidence with which the Craft looked to him for guidance and instruction.

In May, 1843, he presided over a Convention of Grand Lecturers, held in the city of Baltimore, for the purpose of consultation and mutual instruction, so as to secure uniformity and accuracy in the work. At the ensuing session of this Grand Lodge he was requested by formal resolution to prepare and submit a report embodying the

designs laid down by that Convention. In obedience to this request, he prepared and submitted the text-book, which, after reference to a committee of eminent brethren, was approved and adopted by the Grand Lodge, and ordered to be published. This valuable work, the *vade-mecum* of every Virginia Mason, has made the name of JOHN DOVE familiar in every Masonic household throughout the Union.

Words of eulogy around the grave of the distinguished dead, coming from the lips of those who reposed upon him in life, as the stay of the household, savor of heartlessness. Your committee feel this embarrassment. The brief recital of the confidence bestowed by the brethren of this jurisdiction upon our venerated brother in youth and manhood, and emphasized with every year of experience and observation for a half century of time, abundantly suffices. The record speaks for itself. The intelligent confidence accorded through these many years upon the living, is a more eloquent eulogy of the dead, than human lips can frame. He died, as he lived, in the full possession of the affectionate veneration and confidence of the entire community in which he was born and had lived for more than fourscore years, and of the Masonic Brotherhood throughout this Grand Jurisdiction. With the retrospect of a long and well-spent life and the prospect of a blissful immortality, through the atoning merits of the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, to whom in the agony of death he commended his spirit, he passed from time to eternity in the early hours of November 16, 1876.

Your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution, and the communication of this minute to the family of the deceased, by our Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer:—

Resolved, That a memorial page of our proceedings be dedicated to the memory of Bro. JOHN DOVE, bearing this inscription:

Right Worshipful JOHN DOVE, M.D.

Born in Richmond, Va., Sept. 2, 1792. Died in Richmond, Va., Nov. 16, 1876.
Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Virginia by successive re-elections from 1835 to 1876.

Author of the Virginia Text-Book.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. They do rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

B. R. WELLFORD, Jr., }
JAMES BEALE, } *Committee.*
THOMAS P. BIGGER, }

There are two hundred and twenty-five Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 8992. The M. W. RICHARD PARKER was elected Grand Master and the R. W. WILLIAM B. ISAACS Grand Secretary.

WASHINGTON.

The Grand Lodge of Washington Territory commenced its nineteenth Annual Communication in the city of Olympia on the twenty-seventh day of September, 1876,—the R. W. OLIVER P. LACY, Deputy Grand Master, presiding in the absence of the Grand Master, and the R. W. THOMAS M. REED being Grand Secretary. Nineteen of the twenty Lodges in the territory were represented.

The Address of Grand Master MINOR was transmitted and read by the Grand Secretary. He regrets his absence from the annual gathering of the Craft, but says that "duties most sacred, which no other can perform, compel my absence from you."

A somewhat peculiar case came before the Grand Master. We quote a paragraph, giving the facts of the case:—

Another case has come up which I refer to you for examination and decision. It arose between *Baker City* Lodge, No. 47, of Oregon, and *Blue Mountain* Lodge, No. 13, of this jurisdiction. A brother of *Blue Mountain* Lodge, while in *Baker City*, was taken sick, and compelled to ask assistance from the brethren of *Baker City* Lodge. They generously responded and administered to his wants as his necessities required, afterward sending the bill of their expenditures, viz. \$9.75, to the Lodge of which he was a member. *Blue Mountain* Lodge then asked an itemized bill, which was furnished, as requested. *Blue Mountain* Lodge then adopted the report of their committee, stating in substance that Masonic charity was a universal duty, and a sojourning brother had the right to receive aid and assistance from the Lodge within whose jurisdiction he might be, which aid should not be a charge on or chargeable to his own Lodge. The position, I think, thus far, is correct. No representation was made that the bill, in any of its items, was exorbitant or unreasonable. The matter was referred by *Baker City* Lodge to the Grand Master of Oregon, and by him to me.

On examination, the Grand Master felt bound to sustain the position of *Blue Mountain Lodge*, as a question of law, but he strongly advised that, as a matter of equity, the bill be paid. The Lodge, however, declined, and the Grand Lodge upheld it in the same.

We are pleased to learn, from the report of the Grand Secretary, that "the Grand Lodge is again in a healthful condition—out of debt, with a small balance in the treasury." "Result: happiness," according to the code of the celebrated MICAWBER.

The Grand Lodge not only refused recognition of the so-called "Grand Lodge of Ontario," but prohibited all Masonic intercourse with those hailing therefrom.

A resolution was adopted requesting the Grand Masters of the several jurisdictions to "meet at such time and place as may be deemed most convenient, and take into consideration and recommend a plan for the organization of a National Grand Lodge for the United States." The plan will not work, good brethren, and so expense of lungs and shoe leather may better be spared.

The Report on Correspondence is from the pen of the Grand Secretary, and is very brief, being little more than an apology for not making a fuller one. We give our good brother's excuse, which we hope will not be a valid one at future Communications:—

In the various "Reviews" presented by Committees on Foreign Correspondence, our Grand Lodge proceedings receive favorable mention. The "matter and form" of our reports and our doings are seldom subjects of unfair or unjust criticism. For while our manner of doing things may not in all respects be suited to the tastes and peculiar notions of others, our proceedings, in matters of general Masonic interest, appear "fair in proportions," and not unfrequently evoke commendation. Expressions of regret at the absence of a full and detailed report from this committee are many and frequent. For the information of our brethren of the "reportorial corps," and others, we again "rise to explain" at the hazard of going beyond the line of our duty,—that this Grand Lodge is not unappreciative of the value of these reports. Our resources being quite limited, will scarcely justify the necessary expenditure in printing such reports at present. The committee feel a deep and abiding interest in all matters Masonic, and it is quite natural that they should often be impressed with a strong inclination to offer an opinion, or to give a reason for the faith that is in them touching many interesting subjects agitating the Masonic world, as well as to lay those subjects before our Grand Lodge for its information; but, for the time being, perhaps, 'tis best as it is. Making our modest bow for the many flattering notices of our former efforts, we herewith present our table of American Grand Lodges, compiled from latest annual reports received.

There are twenty Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of seven hundred and twenty. The M. W. PLATT A. PRESTON was elected Grand Master and the R. W. THOMAS M. REED was re-elected Grand Secretary.

WEST VIRGINIA.

The Grand Lodge of this jurisdiction commenced its twelfth Annual Communication in the city of Wheeling on the fourteenth day of November, 1876,—the M. W. KEPHART D. WALKER, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. ODELL S. LONG being Grand Secretary. Representatives were present from sixty-six Lodges.

The Grand Master's Address is a good one, and discusses matters of importance to the Craft in and out of the jurisdiction. Masonry, in West Virginia, he tells us, "exhibits a healthy prosperity, and is accomplishing good results." He had granted dispensations for three new Lodges. Here is one of his decisions:—

Is a person whose fingers of the left hand have been amputated at the second joint eligible to the mysteries of Freemasonry? Answer: He is not.

We thought that this "great toe" and "left hand fingers" business was in danger of being run into the ground a little too deep, and are glad to note that the Committee on Jurisprudence concurred with the Grand Master.

And here is another personage who has been poking his nose into some of the subordinate Lodges:—

Question. Is a person who does not believe in a devil a proper candidate for the mysteries of Masonry?

Answer. Masonry only requires a belief in God as the Supreme Architect of the universe. The devil is a personage with whom we have nothing at all to do, and it does not matter whether he believes in one devil, seven devils, or no devil."

That's right. But, seriously, what a ridiculous question to be either asked or answered in a Masonic Lodge!

Here is what the Grand Master has to say of the "Adoptive Rite," in "Eastern Star" Masonry:—

Several communications have been received in relation to the Adoptive Rite of Masonry—a rite which relates almost exclusively to what is known as the Eastern Star degrees. The system is of modern invention, and cannot be classed among the duly recognized Masonic degrees. It is entitled to no more respect among Masons than is any other of the thousand and one so-called side degrees, and no true Mason should be guilty of the fraud involved in representing the ceremonies of the Eastern Star as in any manner connected with Ancient Freemasonry.

The wives and daughters of Freemasons are always and everywhere under the watchful care of the Fraternity, and I can see no particular use for a separate organization for those for whom the cardinal rules of the Fraternity have already provided. With all due deference to the illustrious matrons of the Order of the Eastern Star, I cannot see why any plain Master Mason's wife or daughter or widow should not receive the same recognition and respect as that of the chief of the sisterhood. For these reasons I have declined to give your sanction to the propagation of the Adoptive Rite in this State, but leave the brethren and their wives and daughters as free to join the Eastern Star Lodges as they may desire, only admonishing them that their system is not Masonry, and will not be generally recognized as such.

Here is another subject which is demanding some attention, and deservedly so. We approve highly of the suggestion of the Grand Master:—

The question as to how to make our Lodge meetings attractive and instructive to the brethren, is one that ought to receive careful consideration from every Master of a Lodge. The dry details of the business usually transacted soon cease to interest the members, and the set forms of opening and closing the Lodge, and even the ritual and procedure of conferring the degrees, become somewhat stale and wearisome to men who have heard them repeated again and again, sometimes worse, sometimes better, during year after year. Men of active minds want something new, want to learn something not known before; want to have opened before them new fields for thought. The consequence is, very frequently those who, upon their first admission to the Lodge, appeared to be most deeply interested in the ceremonies, and to be most conversant with the minutiae of its ritual, after a while conclude that there is nothing more to be learned in the Lodge, and their attendance ceases except when they are summoned to attend for the payment of dues, or for the trial of some unfortunate brother whose delinquency may be in part perhaps attributable to the fact that he too found the Lodge meetings not quite so interesting as they might have been. Now there is none of us who knows all there is in Freemasonry. There is none of us who has yet reached the limits of human knowledge concerning the history and the symbolism of the wonderful society of which we are humble members. There is in our ancient fraternity a vast field for profitable research, and a vast fund of curious and valuable information in regard to it may be accumulated by any one who will read, study, and compare.

I am satisfied our Lodge meetings would be more interesting if the Masters would take more pains to inform themselves in relation to these things, and then talk to their brethren about them and stimulate their curiosity to learn the origin of this ceremony or of that, or the meaning of this or that symbol, and the different explanations it has received in different ages of the world. I am satisfied from my own observation that what is needed in West Virginia to give to the Masonic Fraternity a higher life and fuller vigor is for the Worshipful Masters, Wardens, and Brethren "to read more and learn more" concerning the history and principles of the fraternity, and I have sometimes thought that a portion of the funds of the Grand Lodge might be profitably expended in paying some competent brother to go from Lodge to Lodge and deliver a lecture to the brethren upon the history, symbolism, and the teachings of Freemasonry.

There is no Report from the Committee on Correspondence. There are seventy-six Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of 3431. The M. W. G. W. ATKINSON was elected Grand Master and the R. W. ODELL S. LONG was re-elected Grand Secretary.

WISCONSIN.

The thirty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin was held in the city of Milwaukee on the thirteenth day of June, 1876, - the M. W. JEDD P. C. COTTRILL, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JOHN W. WOODHULL being Grand Secretary. One hundred and eighty-four Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master's Address, like its predecessors from the same pen, is well and ably written. Due tribute is paid to the Great First Cause for the prosperity that had been vouchsafed the Fraternity from the beginning. The "little one" of three Lodges only, in 1843, had grown to one hundred and eighty-four in 1876, with a membership of more than ten thousand. Dispensations had been granted for four new Lodges, and applications for three others had been deferred for some informality.

Here are a few of his decisions during the year. The Grand Master is strict on the literal physical qualification requirements, and cannot help giving the "Eastern Star" advocates a side kick! He is "exceedingly mad against all of that sect":—

1. Following a decision of last year, that a relinquishment of jurisdiction must be made by clear ballot.
2. That the loss of all the fingers of the left hand, near the middle joint, renders the candidate ineligible.
3. Refused to allow the sale within the jurisdiction of a large plate containing the Lord's Prayer, mingled with Masonic emblems and those of the so-called Eastern Star. Decision was placed in part on the ground that, while the Lord's Prayer is one that every Mason conscientiously can and ought to use, yet it was undesirable and improper to expose it for sale, surrounded and mixed with a garish display of Masonic emblems, even—and in part, because of the action of the Grand Lodge, last year, prohibiting all connection by Masons with the so-called order of the Eastern Star.
4. That the Grand Master could not, on application of the accused, after conviction, grant or order a new trial.
5. That a Worshipful Master elect could not receive the Past Master's degree in a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons opened upon the Past Master's degree, as a prerequisite to installation; and that he could receive it only in a regularly convened Convocation of Past Masters.
6. That if a Master elect failed simply to be installed at the annual installation, he might be installed afterwards; that his predecessor would hold over until the Master elect was subsequently installed; but, that if the Master elect declined to serve, a new election, by dispensation, would be necessary. Also, that when a Lodge had failed to elect its officers at the time fixed in its by-laws, a special election under dispensation was necessary, with all the brethren summoned.
7. That an affidavit of a person said to have been taken while *in extremis*, was not admissible upon a Masonic trial as evidence, as the Constitution forbids the admission of *ex parte* affidavits; but that it would be admissible, if taken under such circumstances as to bring it within the original common law rule as to the admission of dying declarations.
8. Twice, that an applicant who had lost his right thumb was ineligible.
9. That "clear of the books" in the standing regulations as to dimits (page 198, of 1875) means clear of all indebtedness to the Lodge; and that a Past Secretary was not entitled to a dimit, as of right, on mere payment of his dues, while he was still a debtor to the Lodge for moneys received by him as Secretary.
10. That the jurisdiction of a Lodge over an applicant rejected in it, was not divested by his subsequent removal into the jurisdiction of another Lodge, and that he might re-apply to the former Lodge.

On the second day of the session there was "a fraternal re-union of the brethren, who had assembled from all portions of the State." There was first a Templar review, which excited much attention and interest, after which were these proceedings:—

At ten A. M. the grand procession was formed, and took up its line of march, which terminated at Court House Square. All along the line of march the buildings were handsomely decorated with flags, and signs of a true and hearty welcome were visible on every hand. The hall of *Excelsior* Lodge was beautifully and elaborately ornamented with evergreens, intermingled with the national colors. The exercises at the Court House were very impressive. One of the features of the occasion was the male chorus, under the supervision of Prof. FAYILLE. Their music was well and appropriately chosen, and beautifully rendered. The President of the day, Grand Master COTTRILL, introduced his Honor, A. R. R. BUTLER, who delivered an eloquent

address, which was heartily cheered by the visiting brethren. The Orator of the day, Rev. Bro. SAMUEL FALLOWS, of Chicago, was then introduced, and delivered an eloquent oration, which was received with the most hearty approval by all.

These two addresses are published in an appendix to the proceedings, and are so very good that we make no apology for making liberal extracts therefrom. They will well repay perusal, not only by those of our Fraternity who hail from Wisconsin, but by all "good men and true." First, a paragraph from Bro. BUTLER'S address of welcome:—

You stand here to-day as the representatives of one hundred and eighty-four Lodges, comprising a membership of more than 10,000 of the most intelligent and substantial citizens of our State; and you represent in your characters and in the practice of that virtue which is the corner-stone of your organization, 650,000 of the most cultivated citizens of the United States; and in this, the centennial anniversary of the great republic, you are here as the Masonic descendants of those great men of revolutionary times, whose names illumine the brightest pages of human history—prominent among whom are Washington, the father of his country, whose name is his eulogy; the illustrious La Fayette, a young man of vast fortune, of high rank, and of powerful connections at the most brilliant and fascinating court in the world, who, in his unselfish devotion to the cause of American independence, with moral courage without a parallel in history, espoused the gloomy cause of the colonies, and sailed for our shores in a vessel fitted out at his own expense, to join a feeble army without clothing or arms, when our government was without resources, and our agents in Paris were compelled to confess that they could not furnish him with means of transportation; the intrepid and adventurous farmer-general, Israel Putnam; the accomplished Joseph Warren, who ably defended the rights of his country with his pen, and afterwards with his sword, and poured out his precious blood at Bunker's Hill; Richard Montgomery, the gifted Irishman, who gallantly sacrificed his life for his adopted country, before Quebec; Benjamin Franklin, the philosopher and patriot, who was characterized by Catham, in the English House of Lords, as "one whom all Europe held in high estimation for his knowledge and wisdom, who was an honor, not to the English nation alone, but to human nature;" John Marshall, the peerless Chief Justice of the United States, and James Otis, the inspired orator of Massachusetts, who, more than any other man, except perhaps Patrick Henry, electrified the people of the colonies with his matchless eloquence. Springing from such a lineage, your visit to our city, at this time, is hailed as an honor for which we can hardly make an adequate return.

In these times, when corruption is poisoning the body politic, and high official position is prostituted to venal purposes—when public officers forget the sacredness of the trusts committed to them, and the great political parties of the country are decaying and falling to pieces, for want of the cohesive power of public virtue, it is a pleasure to look into the faces of men who, without distinction of party or religion, belong to an organization which inculcates the practice of all the virtues as a duty; which excludes from its fellowship no man, be his religion or mode of worship what it may, provided he believe in the glorious architect of heaven and earth, and practice the sacred duties of morality, and which requires of its adherents that they shall, at all times, respect the civil power under which they live, and zealously promote the prosperity of their country. Inducted into such principles, and practicing such virtues, you possess a power for good which belongs to the public, and which, conscientiously exercised, may do much to restore social morality, and to drive corruption from public places.

It is true that the purposes of your organization are purely charitable and benevolent, and that you scrupulously avoid even the appearance of interfering with religion or politics; but, in the habitual practice of charity and brotherly love, and in the inculcation of these virtues in the family, as the simple and plain duties of daily life, you are laying the foundations of morality and integrity broad and deep, and are thus creating a healthy sentiment throughout the land, and to which, should anarchy overtake and threaten civil liberty, the people may confidently appeal for protection.

Civil liberty rests on the hearthstones and family altars, and these on the virtues of the people, and where these hearthstones and altars are pure, we find public virtue and public morality.

But the stream cannot rise higher than its fountain, and a low state of private morality will disclose itself in official corruption, and finally, if not arrested, in the destruction of the social fabric.

Assured that Freemasonry is a power for good in the State, and that all its influences are in favor of morality and good order, and that its teachings tend to strengthen the ties that hold society together, and to uphold civil and religious liberty, I rejoice in your great prosperity, and, speaking for one hundred thousand people, I welcome you to the hospitality of our city.

But there is so much that is rich and racy, as well as quaint, in the oration of Rev. Bro. SAMUEL FALLOWS, of Chicago, that our scissors fairly ache to take the whole. A few gems must suffice. He thus strikes the key-note of his theme:—

My theme at this hour is the Tree of Masonry. I call your attention to its roots and fruits. Every living thing has roots. The higher the plant, the deeper the root.

The flower or shrub inch high above the ground has tiny rootlets penetrating inch deep the soil over which it grows.

I have wandered in the deep dells of this beautiful State of Wisconsin, with nature's rugged rampart of rock on either side of me, shutting out, almost, the light of day. On the summit, lifting themselves up "with unerring uprightness, as of temple pillars," were lofty pines, sighing and singing with their unique voices, as they were stirred or swept by the currents of the upper deep. But down through all the distance of these rough foundation walls, upholding the sustaining soil in which the pine cones first fell, the roots could be seen, cleaving the strength of rocks, twisting in and out amid their crevices, embracing their huge masses, contorting themselves into positions which would have made the most accomplished gymnast envious, and then burying themselves far, far down in the darkness and dampness beneath my feet.

"That oak tree which spreads its boughs to the sea and its branches to the rivers, enlarging its circle of shade for a thousand years," must have roots reaching down furlongs, stretching out to every point of the compass, and drawing its sustenance from a continent. It is down there in the thick gloom of an under world; it is up there in the light of an upper world, with its "mighty resistances of rigid arm and limb to the storms of ages."

The Palmyra Pine springs up out of the sands of the desert, ever living and ever green; a thing of beauty and passionate joy to the half blinded, half stifled, sun-smitten traveler. Why is it? Why? Because, deep down below the masses of arid, shifting sand, it sends its roots to unfailing moisture.

Even man has a root. The grander the man the deeper the root. The wider the area of life's activities, charities, and cares, the more profound is the depth into which the roots of his desires, hopes, loves, and resolves strike.

If he has no depth of root, he has no legal height of character. He does not blossom, nor bear fruit, nor extend the ample shade.

1. A man must be rooted in himself. He must have a good hold upon the vital sensibilities, animal hunger, animal thirst, and the like. He must not stop there, else he would be a gormand and a sensualist, a little lower than the beast which perisheth. He must thrust his roots into self-defensiveness; into a just resentment of personal injury, a rising up against wrong, a resisting of evil; into courageousness, a braving of danger, an unconquerableness of spirit.

2. But he must not only be rooted in self, but in society. The social affections afford him nourishment, and a richer, fuller life. He is planted in the family: in "domestic love, that only bliss of paradise which has survived the fall;" in communion, in sympathy, in mutual helpfulness, in love marital, love parental, love filial, love fraternal. He is proud of his ancestry—a noble pride. He never forgets the stock from which he sprung. His roots extend. They are in sociableness, in the love of our neighbors, in business relations, in interchanges of neighborly offices and mutual helpfulness.

3. They extend still further. They are in the patriotic affections,—in the love of country. He knows the meaning of the words:—

"My country 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing."

4. His roots strike still deeper and wider, far down below caste, ancestry, country, into human nature—not into the nationality, but the humanity of his kind. This is nobler, deeper than all. Those roots are in philanthropy, in pity for the suffering, the sick, and the afflicted—in help for the needy—in kindness for the undeserving—in forbearance for the erring—in charity for all.

5. Yet deeper does he go. There is yet a root which gives to all the rest their sustenance and vitality! The tap root of his being is in the love of God, his Creator, Preserver, and Redeemer. This vivifies, beautifies, and glorifies the whole man.

As with the individual man, so it is with nations and institutions. The nation whose principles and forms of government seek to dominate the world, must have its roots beneath oceans, and from the soil of the adamant foundations of the earth must derive its strength.

An institution claiming centuries and continents as its own, must draw its sustenance from centuries and continents. Lifting itself up amid the sunshine or storm of to-day, it must send its roots down into the darkness, the secrecy, and the silence of ages. The roots of this noble institution, whose representatives by the thousands are around me to-day, run deep into the remotest antiquity. How deep no one can tell.

In its nature as operative Masonry, very near the beginning of this young earth's history. They are in the depths of the individual nature. Temperance, prudence, fortitude, these supply their aliment to help develop a character whose golden fruitage shall win the admiring gaze of men, of angels, and of God. They are down in the social nature. How these roots lace and interlace among those royal affections which constitute the grace and glory of our home life, drawing nourishment from the

"Perpetual fountain of domestic sweets,"

close by which,

"Love his golden shafts employs, here lights

His constant lamp, and waves his purple wings."

Masonry re-echoes the language of the old proverb: "The hearth fire must be kept a-light." That sacred flame she never quenches. Never quenches, did I say? I should have said infinitely more than that. She adds fuel to that pure and divine fire. Nourishing in the breast of the son, the husband and the father, the noblest virtues, she sends them back from the mystic precincts to the hearthstone of their own homes, better prepared for the responsible and heaven-ordained duties devolving upon them.

And here are a few *facts* which we commend to the attention of those who are unceasing in their denunciations of Masonry and Masons as everything that is bad and to be avoided:—

In that city of brotherly love, where our grand Centennial Exposition is now being held, in that celebrated hall where once sat the men "who pledged their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor" to maintain the glorious principles of the Declaration of Independence, there is yet to be seen the chair in which JOHN HANCOCK sat when he presided over that immortal band, and signed his name so that John Bull could read it without spectacles. That chair has on it, marked so boldly that it arrests first the visitor's attention, the "Masonic symbol of the All-Seeing Eye." How many of this heroic number of patriots, "who, in the days that tried men's souls," ventured their all for their country's welfare—how many, I ask, were Masons? Our children know the number of signers; they are familiar with the facsimile of their signatures. They know that fifty-six periled their lives in putting down their names. "Fifty" out of the fifty-six were members of the Masonic Order, and he who is familiar with Masonic thoughts, sentiments and language, "knows" that the "flavor," the "spirit," nay, the very "verbiage" of that magnificent protest against tyranny, and assertion of the just, inalienable rights of man, are thoroughly Masonic. These were the men, who, banded together, in "the upper room," had learned the meaning of true liberty and equality, and knew how to give and vindicate these precious truths to the world.

Many of the members of the first Continental Congress were also members of the Masonic Fraternity, and its honored President, one of the eminent names in American history, PEYTON RANDOLPH, was Provincial Grand Master of Virginia, and another, nephew of PEYTON RANDOLPH, and scarcely less distinguished than his uncle, EDMUND RANDOLPH, member of the Continental Congress and Governor of Virginia, was Grand Master of Masons of Virginia; a high-bred, undaunted, Christian gentleman, who offered in Congress, after the defeat of CORNWALLIS, the resolution "to publicly return thanks to Almighty God for crowning our army with success."

With one more extract, glowing with eloquence and true Masonic fire, we must pass to other topics:—

But deeper and wider than country do its roots penetrate. Into universal humanity do they strike. No matter the rank, the station, the birth-place or the condition of those who have been raised into its fellowship, they meet upon the grand level of the brotherhood of man. Properly respecting all the differences which Providence may have constituted, and freely rendering "honor to whom honor is due," the prince and peasant come together in its fraternal unity, each feeling,

"A man's a man for a' that and a' that."

Deeper still do its roots extend. Into the profound truth, the truth of truths, the existence of a Creator and Ruler of the world, the Father of men, and the Revealer of His holy and ever blessed will to His children.

Masonry is not religion, but it is rooted in religion. Masonry can no more be made a substitute for religion than the fruits and flowers can be substituted for this burning sun above us, which has brought them into life and beauty. Masonry cannot be substituted for God's everlasting word, any more than the building for the solid ground on which it stands, for on that Word, which He hath opened and no man can shut, do the moral precepts of Masonry rest. Its signs and ceremonies you may not find there, but the vital truths of its system of instruction are all contained there.

That God, "who is over all, and blessed for evermore," whom a Socrates and a Plato sought, by reason's glimmering light, whom a Marcus Aurelius and other noble heathen groped after, "it haply they might find Him," to whom the Athenians raised an altar with this inscription: "To the unknown God,"—that uncreated, Eternal Deity who spake out of the burning bush to Moses, saying, "I am that I am,"—that God who is the

Father of all, in every age,
In every clime, adored,
By saint, by savage and by sage,
Jehovah, Jove or Lord,

is the God whom "es-ential" Masonry recognizes and adores.

If to take the hand, and with the grasp of the outer, feel the grip of the inner hand, the soul's invisible, but realized pressure—if to bring heart to heart together in the divinely responsive services of love—if to inculcate by precept and example the glorious truth of the brotherhood of man—if to do justly, and love mercy, and walk humbly before God—if these sublime teachings are treason to humanity, then every true Mason is guilty of such treason, and you may make the most of it.

It has changed the impulse of benevolence into a principle. It has created numberless channels through which the streams of its imperial beneficence may flow to human hearts. It is uttering in the one language, understood by every nation, kindred, people, and tongue, the language of human want and woe, the burden of its being, and its mission to the world. Why is it in the world? Because,

"Never morning wore to evening,
But some heart did break;"

break through unrelieved penury; break through heartless neglect. Why is it in the world? Because the husband and the father has gone through the valley and shadow of death, and left the loved ones behind him in the valley and shadow of the world's forgetfulness.

The Grand Lodge adopted a resolution, looking to the future establishment of an academy or college for the education of the orphan children of poor Masons, and appointed a committee to report thereon at the next Communication.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. OLIVER LIEBY, and is an able and full review of the proceedings of forty-one Grand Lodges. For some unexplained reason it appears that those of California had not reached our brother, which we much regret.

There are one hundred and eighty-four Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 10,515. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected, the former unanimously.

WYOMING.

Our young sister of the interior sends us fraternal greeting in the form of the proceedings of the second Annual Communication of her Grand Lodge, held at Cheyenne on the tenth day of October, 1876,—the M. W. EDGAR P. SNOW, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JOHN K. JEFFREY being Grand Secretary. Representatives were present from all the Lodges in the jurisdiction, four in number.

The Address of Grand Master SNOW is well written, and mainly confined to the Masonic business of the year. He had granted a dispensation for a new Lodge at Rawlins. Among the decisions was the following, which commends itself to us as based on Masonry and common sense:—

No. 4. When the deformity of the candidate is not such as to prevent him from being instructed in the arts and mysteries of Freemasonry, and does not amount to an inability honestly to acquire the means of subsistence, the admission will not be an infringement upon the ancient land-marks, but will be perfectly consistent with the spirit of our institutions.

As a guard against impostors, who have much troubled the Wyoming brethren, the Grand Master recommends that no foreign-visitor be admitted to a Lodge unless he first show his diploma. He hoists in the Masonic pillory those brethren from Eastern and Western homes who had victimized the Fraternity in Wyoming, on promises to refund the amount advanced immediately upon their arrival at home. In no instance had the promise been kept. We have a few ventures in that same "Bank of Faith," and think we are one of a goodly number of victims. We indorse

fully this sentiment of the Grand Master: "No Mason should pledge his Masonic honor except in a case of the most extreme emergency, and then, having done so, should see to it that it is redeemed, no matter how great the sacrifice." The Grand Lodge adopted this order on the subject:—

That any brother of the order, in good standing at home, receiving pecuniary assistance from any Lodge in this jurisdiction, under the pledge of his Masonic honor to refund the amount advanced him, and failing to keep his promise and redeem his pledge after a reasonable time has elapsed shall, by the Lodge advancing such pecuniary aid to him, be reported to his home Lodge, and in case he thereafter fail to refund the loan, then it shall be, and it is, hereby made the duty of the Worshipful Master of the Lodge in this jurisdiction, to prefer charges against such brother for unmaasonic conduct.

At an evening session, "the Grand Lodge and visiting brethren were entertained by a very instructive and interesting lecture, delivered by Bro. C. H. BIRTSELLO, of Aaron Lodge, No. 5, Egypt."

The Grand Lodges of Dakota, Manitoba, Prince Edward Island, and Indian Territory were fraternally recognized.

A very modest Report on Correspondence was submitted by the Grand Secretary. The proceedings of forty Grand Lodges, California for 1875 being one, are briefly reviewed, our own receiving many compliments.

There are four Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 255. The M. W. FREDERIC C. ADDOMS was elected Grand Master and the R. W. WILLIAM G. TOWN was elected Grand Secretary.

FOREIGN GRAND BODIES.

We make no apology for devoting several pages of this report to a summary of the proceedings of Masonic Bodies in the Old World. We have so many representatives of British, German, etc. Lodges in our midst, that they will be glad to hear from the "Old Fellows at Home." With the single exception of the brief account of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, we are indebted for the following interesting items to the able pen of Bro. CHARLES SACKENTER, a member of the reportorial corps of New York. Our brother begins with the Grand Lodge of England, and from his report we clip the following paragraphs:—

ENGLAND.—The principal event of the year culminated at the Quarterly Communication in March last, the Earl of Carnarvon, Pro-Grand Master, presiding. On his motion, the Grand Lodge unanimously resolved to commemorate the safe return of His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, from his visit to India, by appropriating \$20,000, for the purpose of forming, in perpetuity, two life-boat stations, in such localities on the English coast as might be determined by a special committee and the National Life-boat Institution.

Two appeals were passed upon, not of special importance in themselves, but tending to show that the practice of our English brethren is substantially the same as our own. The first was the case of a Master who had invited a Past Master to be present at a meeting of his Lodge and confer the Third Degree. To this the Senior Warden objected, on the ground that when the Master of the Lodge failed to officiate in person, his prerogatives devolved upon the Immediate Past Master, and from him to the Senior Warden. The Master held, very properly, that a brother officiating in his presence was as if he himself conferred the degree, he, (the Master) being responsible for the act of his representative. The Grand Lodge took the same view, and dismissed the appeal—as would have been done here.

The second case arose out of an appeal from the action of the Board of General Purposes, in refusing to interfere in a lawsuit between two members of a Lodge, touching a matter outside of Masonry. The President of the Board very properly remarked, that if such cases were to be entertained, the Board would have more than enough to do. The Grand Lodge thought so too, and dismissed the appeal without dissent. This is entirely in accord with the American doctrine that business disputes are not to be settled in Masonic courts.

FRANCE.—Affairs in this jurisdiction remain as at the date of our last report, the Grand Orient apparently not deeming the matter of sufficient importance to occupy its attention; and it loses much of its claim upon our own consideration when we examine the proceedings of the annual meeting of the Grand Orient, in September last, for we are thus led to the question of how far the Grand Orient can be considered a Masonic organization at all.

The first section of the French Constitution contains these words: "Freemasonry is based on the existence of God and the immortality of the soul," than which nothing could be more strictly and literally true. It is clearer and more direct than the language employed in the Ancient Charges published with the first English Constitution, and still regarded as declaring the foundation principles of the Craft, thus:—

"A *Mason* is obliged by his tenure to obey the moral law, and if he rightly understands the art, he will never be a stupid *atheist*, nor an *irreligious libertine*. But, though in ancient times, Masons were charged in every country to be of the religion of that country or nation, whatever it was, yet 'tis now thought more expedient only to obtain that religion in which all men agree, leaving their particular opinions to themselves; that is, to be *good men and true*, or men of honor and honesty, by whatever denominations or persuasions they may be distinguished, whereby Masonry becomes the *center of union*, and the means of conciliating true friendship among persons that must have remained at a perpetual distance."

Of which it may be explained that the words "*irreligious libertine*" mean what our modern ephuists call a freethinker, or, in plain English, one who scouts at the existence of God, and hence at all religion: so it is a law frequently enunciated in our Lodges, that "no *Atheist* can be made a *Mason*." On this point there can be no compromise. A candidate may affect any religious belief he chooses, and we have nothing to say, but he must answer affirmatively the question, "do you believe in the existence of God, the Almighty and ever-living?" or we cannot admit him. When, therefore, any body of men depart from this, the original plan of Freemasonry, it steps at once beyond the pale, and ceases to be Masonic, in fact, whatever it may call itself.

Starting from this point, the reader will be able to appreciate the action of the French Grand 'rient, to which we now proceed to call attention. A proposition was presented to the body to strike from the Constitution the words quoted above. It was referred to a committee, which reported in favor of indefinite postponement. Upon this a lengthy debate ensued, and, as the speakers were requested to furnish copies of their argument, in writing, to the Secretary, we are justified in believing that they are fairly reported in the volume before us. We cannot, of course, give these arguments *in extenso*, but we select a few paragraphs to show the avowed belief of the speakers. The first one said: "I recognize the fact that Masonry is neither Deism, Atheism, nor even Positivism. As an institution affirming and practicing human unity, it is a stranger to every dogma or religious creed whatever. Its only basis is absolute respect for the liberty of conscience." "In matters of faith it neither affirms nor denies anything, hence our doors open with equal facility to the Protestant and the Catholic, the Mussulman and the Christian, the *Atheist* and the *Deist*." A speaker on the other side remarked: "I am in favor of absolute liberty of conscience. You cannot change the fact that an immense majority of the Masons spread over the surface of the globe believe in the Great Architect of the universe, and in the immortality of the soul; yet this in no wise affects the liberty of conscience, since it is provided in paragraph 3 that Masonry regards the liberty of conscience as the personal right of every man, and excludes no man for his belief. Let me relate a fact recently occurring in a Lodge. A candidate with excellent recommendations was unanimously accepted. Before his final admission, however, he was asked, among other things, whether he ever prayed, and upon his answer that, in moments of suffering, he had addressed his prayers to the Supreme Being, twenty-seven blackballs were cast against him, and initiation was refused. And yet our Lodges will admit a candidate who believes in nothing." Another insisted that the contradiction of requiring belief in God, and at the same time according perfect liberty of conscience, must be cured by striking out one or the other; and as belief in God is a form of religion, (Deism) and Masonry cannot be the champion of one form more than another, the first should be stricken out. And so of others. Finally the vote was taken, when sixty-five voted in favor of indefinite postponement, and one hundred and ten for accepting the proposed amendment, and sending it to the subordinates for discussion, preparatory to final action next year.

This, of course, is not such action as would justify any one in saying that French Masonry has become Atheistic, nor that the amendment will be finally adopted; but it does demonstrate that in the French Lodges an *Atheist* can be initiated; which, as has been seen, they justify under the plea of perfect liberty of conscience. As will also have been seen, Masonry proper limits this liberty; and it does so on the ground that to one who has no belief in God, conscience is an idle term, having no fixed standard and no boundary, but such as the individual himself may fix. The conclusion is inevitable, that the Grand Orient of France is not a Masonic organization, and that its adepts do not receive at its hands—what it has not to give—Ancient Craft Masonry; and that the sooner Masons everywhere disentangle themselves from its alliance, the better it will be for them and for the institution.

IRELAND.—The Grand Secretary has transmitted to us some original papers from the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter of Ireland, containing statistics only, from which we glean a few items.

There appears to be three hundred and seventy-five working Lodges, thirty-four of which are in the city of Dublin. We also find a list of thirteen Provincial Grand Lodges in Ireland, and five in certain British Provinces, subordinate to the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

The Prince of Wales, Grand Master of England, is the patron of this Grand Lodge; the Grand Master is the Duke of Abercom, and one of the Grand Chaplains is Lord PLUNKETT, Episcopal Bishop of Meath.

The receipts of the Grand Lodge for the year were £5817, or so, £415 of which was expended on charity account.

We should infer from these statistical papers that the Grand Lodge of Ireland and its subordinates were in a flourishing condition, and making Masonry felt for good in that part of her majesty's dominions.

CUBA.—Bro. SACKRENTER discusses at length the status of Masonry in Cuba, as bearing upon the recent establishment of the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba," now seeking recognition at the hands of the American Grand Lodges. The first introduction of Masonry into that island, was by a warrant from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in 1804. The first Lodge was established in Havana, and subsequently six others, the last in 1822. Between this time and 1858, these Lodges appear to have died out, and in 1859 the Grand Lodge of South Carolina established several Lodges in the island, and three of these, the same year, established the "Grand Lodge of Colon." In the same year came authority from the Supreme Council of the Southern jurisdiction of the United States to establish bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, to confer degrees from the fourth to the thirty-third, leaving untouched the three symbolic degrees of the Blue Lodge. But very soon thereafter, this "Supreme Council of Colon" asserted complete jurisdiction over all Masonry in the island. The final result was that in 1837, the "Grand Lodge of Colon" declared itself a section of the Grand Orient, thus, to use the words of Bro. SACKRENTER, "effectually wiping itself out of existence." We now quote from the report before us:—

At this point it will be seen that the original Grand Lodge of Colon had become a mere appendage of the Supreme Council without the slightest power or authority of its own, and, as a Grand Lodge, was as totally dead as if it had never existed. Secondly, that the Provincial Grand Lodge having been put out of existence by the same power which created it, there was no semblance of Masonic government left, save that of the Supreme Council, and this only exercised by usurpation; for its original power had only commenced with the fourth degree, hence the Lodges and brethren were literally and *de facto* in a territory in which no regular Grand Lodge existed, and were, therefore, fully competent, through a General Assembly, or by delegates, to form and constitute a Grand Lodge, owing fealty to no organization beyond itself, and having a full and indefeasible right to exclusive jurisdiction over Symbolic Masonry in the Island of Cuba.

Hence, on the 1st of August, 1876, the representatives of thirteen regular Lodges held in Havana, Matanzas, and Cardenas met in Havana, and proceeded to form "*The Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba*," with power to supervise and govern the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry, including the degree of Past Master; asserting jurisdiction throughout the limits of the Island of Cuba; elected and installed Grand Officers; made arrangements for the subsequent adoption of a Constitution and Regulations, and appointed the W. Bro. RAMON ILLA, of *La Fraternidad* Lodge, of New York, their general representative near all foreign Grand Lodges, to secure recognition and interchange representatives.

As soon as these facts became public, the Grand Lodge of Colon proclaimed itself independent, and desired to assume the jurisdiction already occupied by the regularly formed Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba.

Bro. S. comes to what seems to us the legitimate conclusion, that "the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba" is the legitimate Grand Lodge of the Island, and should be recognized as such by all the Grand Lodges of the United States. By thus extending the hand of fellowship and recognition we will, in his opinion, "place Masonry in that jurisdiction upon a firm and enduring basis." The Grand Lodge of New York adopted a resolution to that effect.

GERMANY.—In our report of last year, we alluded to the fact that the Diet of the "German Grand Lodge League," embracing eight of the Grand Lodges in that Empire, had taken grounds on the vexed question of Grand Lodge sovereignty (as claimed by *all* our American Grand Lodges), and upon the recognition of negro Grand Lodges, that was calculated to make serious trouble in their future Masonic relations with us. We feared that this "cloud like unto a man's hand" presaged the coming of fierce storms. We also published the fact that the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania had issued its interdict against fraternizing with German Grand Lodges or Masons hailing therefrom. With this preliminary explanation, our readers will understand the following proceedings of the Diet, which we copy from the New York Report:—

GERMAN GRAND LODGE LEAGUE.

Official Protocol of the Diet of the German Grand Lodge League, held at Berlin, June 4, 1876, at the Hall of the Grand National Mother Lodge. (Three Globes.) Present, by representatives:—

1. The "Grand Landes Lodge of Freemasons in Germany," Berlin.
2. The Grand Lodge of Prussia, "Royal York zur Freundschaft."
3. The Grand Lodge of "Hamburg."
4. The Grand Lodge, "Zur Sonne," Bayreuth.
5. The Grand Lodge of "Saxony," Dresden.
6. The Grand Mother Lodge of the "Eclectic Union," Frankfort-on-the-Main.
7. The Grand Lodge, "Zur Eintracht," Darmstadt.
8. The Grand National Mother Lodge, "Zu den 3 Weltklugeln," Berlin.

BRO. VON ETZEL occupied the chair and greeted the delegates, reminding them of their duties to each other and to the Fraternity. Bros. ECKSTEIN (Saxony) and FREDERICHSS were appointed Secretaries.

BRO. HARTZFELD reported the resolution of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, forbidding the admission of German brethren to their Lodges.

No. 3 of the order of the day was taken up. This relates to the questions propounded by the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, viz.:

a. The position of the German Grand Lodges in relation to the question of jurisdiction.

b. The recognition of the Grand Lodges composed of colored persons in Massachusetts and Ohio.

It was agreed that the two points might be discussed together, whereupon Bro. BRUNTSCHLI, in behalf of a committee to whom the matter had been referred, after explaining the case in detail, offered the following resolutions:—

"1. That the Grand Lodge Diet declares that it is not its purpose to interfere with the Constitution of the North American Grand Lodges in any way. As the German Grand Lodge League claims to have the right to examine for itself the formation of new Grand Lodges in Germany, or to accord to other Grand Lodges the right to found Lodges in Germany, it concedes the same rights to the Grand Lodges of America for North America.

"2. *Whereas*, it determines to admit brethren of foreign Grand Lodges, which in its view have been legally constituted, and work according to Masonic rules, using only its domestic privileges and conceding these same rights to the American Grand Lodges in their own affairs.

"3. It is ready for a peaceful, fraternal discussion with the American Grand Lodges, touching the extension of the acknowledged right of jurisdiction and the necessary exceptions to the rule.

"4. The executive Grand Lodge (Three Globes) is empowered to transmit, through the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, these resolutions, to the American Grand Lodges, and also to recall the resolutions passed at Berlin in 1874, on the subject of jurisdiction."

The foregoing propositions were subsequently modified and presented as follows:—

"The Grand Lodge Diet declares:

"1. It is not its design or aim to intrude in the Masonic condition and Constitutions of the North American Grand Lodges, and it further acknowledges and concedes to the Grand Lodges of the United States of America and Territories, the same rights and privileges it claims for itself in German territory, as laid down in the resolutions of May 24, 1874.

"2. *Whereas*, In conceding the admission, as visitors to the German Lodges, of foreign brethren, members of Lodges which, according to its view, work on Masonic principles, it exercises merely its domestic authority and recognizes the same rights in the American Grand Lodges.

"3. The executive and presiding Grand Lodge (Three Globes) is instructed to inform the Grand Lodge of the State of New York of this resolution, and of those adopted in 1874, in relation to the National Lodge Constitution."

These modified propositions were adopted, the Grand Lodge of Hamburg alone dissenting.

By way of explanation, or semi-apology, for the action of the Diet last year, Bro. S., as a matter of justice, publishes extracts from several letters received by him from prominent German Masons. We copy the substance of one only, the writer being vouched for as a "delegate to the Diet, and a Grand Officer." He says:—

It is first to say about this document, that the same has not been signed by the delegates; not even has it been approved by them. The minutes, as really written down, were, when read, considered very defective and imperfect. It was found that they mention very unimportant things, and matters of importance were omitted and not mentioned at all; in general, that these minutes were too diffuse and prolix. The final editing was entrusted to two brethren, and reads as found in the New York Grand Lodge Transactions; but the same gives neither a true picture of the proceedings nor the verbatim reproduction of the resolutions. It was afterwards resolved, in consequence of the controversy between the Hamburg Grand Lodge and the three Berlin Grand Lodges in reference to the said resolutions, to reprint the original words of the minutes, and they show:—

1. That only the brothers GLITZA, (Hamburg), BARTHELMSS, (Nuremberg, Frankfort), BRABAND, (Hamburg), ECKSTEIN, (Darmstadt), and AMELUNG, (Hamburg), spoke for the recognition of the Prince Hall Grand Lodge.

2. That the motives and reasons of the adversely voting delegates consisted in the following points:—

There is no question about color or race; the question is only whether the German Grand Lodge League can or will recognize a *second* Grand Lodge in an American State, where already a Grand Lodge exists. As long as the present condition exists, the German Grand Lodge League cannot, and never will acknowledge a *second* Grand Lodge in American territory where already a recognized Grand Lodge exists.

These were the views and opinions expressed by the delegates ECKSTEIN, (Saxony), KLEIBER, (Berlin), PAUL, (Frankfort), HEUBNER, (Dresden), HERRIG, (Berlin), VON DALEN, (Berlin), VON ETZEL, (Berlin), and others.

The Hamburg delegates thought it now proper to take other steps, and proposed resolutions of mediation, or rather accommodation, to carry their point. But the offered resolutions of mediation, as proposed by Hamburg, and as inserted incorrectly and surreptitiously, in the official protocol, were promptly rejected. The adopted resolutions read in accordance, and after the later statement of the presiding Grand Master, as follows:

The Grand Lodge Diet declares, in regard to the propositions of the Grand Lodges Prince Hall and Ohio, that it seems by *prima facie* evidence, that both Grand Lodges are legally constituted, and that the German Grand Lodges will admit as visitors, the members of these Grand Lodges, and their subordinates, without hesitation and with pleasure.

This resolution was, any how, not a happy one, because it caused very disagreeable differences between the Mother German (especially the Berlin) Grand Lodges, and the Hamburg Grand Lodge, inasmuch as the Hamburg Grand Lodge hastened, before the official promulgating of the minutes, to enter in mutual representation with the two colored Grand Lodges of Massachusetts and Ohio.

The Berlin delegates to the Grand Lodge Diet protested and declared (which declaration was adopted by their Grand Lodges), as can be found in the New York Grand Lodge Transactions of 1876, page 113: "That the framing and the editing of the protocol in relation to the Negro Grand Lodge caused misunderstanding, and that it is, therefore, desirable and necessary to give explanations. There is, undoubtedly, some inaccuracy in the composition of said protocol. The majority of the Grand Lodges declared at the session, a distinct intention, not to meddle with controversies existing among the American Grand Lodges, not from motives of fear of a controversy with the latter (although such motives were justified by Masonic, universal, and human laws and circumstances), but from motives emanating from the Masonic and humane principle: 'Do unto others as you wish others to do unto you.' Therefore the German Grand Lodges, on the question of the right of jurisdiction, had only expressed their views in regard to the foundation of said Negro Grand Lodges, and that the members of the same, regardless of color or race, could be admitted as visitors. In near relations, and in an exchange of representatives, however, the German Grand Lodges can only enter with acknowledged Grand Lodges. This is all the German Grand Lodges could do; the regulation of all internal matters must be left to the American Grand Lodges."

This was communicated to the colored bodies. In the same manner the Eclectic Grand Mother Lodge, at Frankfort, adopted resolutions and promulgated them in

their proceedings. Under the circumstances, these questions had to come again before the Grand Lodge Diet in 1876, even if no direct inducement or occasion took place. An occasion, however, gave the letter of Bro. ELLWOOD E. THORNE, Grand Master of Masons in the State of New York, dated November 20, 1875. (See New York Grand Lodge Transactions of 1876, page 103.)

The presiding Grand Master of the German Grand Lodge League, expressed in answer to this letter, his individual opinion, pointing out that Bro. VON MENSCH has erroneously interpreted the Berlin resolutions, and that the German Grand Lodge Diet has only declared a modified recognition of the Grand Lodges of colored Masons at Boston and in Ohio. If we, the writer of these lines, had had to answer the letter of the M. W. Bro. E. E. THORNE, we would have abstained from expressing our individual opinion, but would have stated that the framing of the Darmstadt resolutions have caused many disturbances, so that the matter must come again before the Diet for final and concise decision.

Now comes the narration of the occurrences at the Grand Lodge Diet of 1876, and the mention of the resolutions adopted and proposed by Bro. BLUNTCHLI, reported by us above page 90.

In conclusion, the writer says:—

What will be the practical consequences of these resolutions? We hope and expect that the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania will take in reconsideration, and not execute, the unhappy resolutions in reference to the German Grand Lodge League, and that our American brethren will be convinced that the German brethren don't intend to meddle with their institutions or infringe upon their rights. The German Grand Lodge League will never give aid and support to the claims of a German Grand Lodge as regards its transatlantic daughter Lodges, which are, as their history shows, a very questionable appendix to the Mother. In reference to the question, whether a German Lodge in America must of necessity be under the government of a German Grand Lodge, and can otherwise not flourish and prosper, we think the Grand Master of New York has given, in his letter of November 20, 1875, the correct and proper answer. We find conclusive evidence for his statements in the condition and prosperity of the German Lodge *Fes-salozzi* at Naples, and the German Lodge at Milan.

We think it proper here to give some statistics of Masonry under the Grand Lodge League in Germany, so far as we can take them from the documents received, without claim of an absolute correctness.

In the German Empire there are at present in existence eight Grand Lodges, with about 326 subordinate Lodges, and five independent Lodges of English origin.

Their classifications are as follows: In Berlin the "Grand Lodge of the Three Globes," with 111 subordinate Lodges; "Grosse Landes Lodge" (Swedish system), with 82 Lodges; and the "Royal York Grand Lodge," with 49 Lodges; in Frankfort-on-the-Main, the "Grand Mother Lodge of the Eclectic Union," with 12 Lodges; in Hamburg, the Grand Lodge, with 23 Lodges; in Beyreuth, the "Grand Lodge Zur Sonne," with 22 Lodges; at Dresden, the "Grand Lodge of Saxony," with 18 Lodges; at Darmstadt, the "Grand Lodge Zur Eintracht," with 9 Lodges. The five independent Lodges are in the Saxony Duchies.

The Kingdom of Prussia contains 220 Lodges, or two-thirds of all German Lodges, of which "The Three Globes" has 113; the "Grosse Landes Lodge," 63; Royal York Lodge, 46; Hamburg, 1; Eclectic Union, 6; Zur Eintracht, 1.

German Lodges are in activity in 259 cities, and one is in a village, of which Berlin has 17; Hamburg, 13; Frankfort-on-the-Main, 6 Lodges. Six cities each three Lodges; sixteen cities each two Lodges, and the balance of cities each one Lodge.

Germany has, in a population of 41,100,000, 331 Lodges, or one Lodge to 124,242 inhabitant. France has, in a population of 36,100,000, 248 Lodges, or one Lodge to 141,536 inhabitants.

There are, altogether, in existence 465 German Lodges, which are situated as follows:—

Germany, 331; Switzerland, 9; Hungary, 20; Roumania, 1; England, 1; Italy, 2; Turkey, 1; Egypt, 2; China, 1; Peru, 1; Brazil, 1; United States 95, of which three are working under the Grand Lodge of Hamburg.

Bro. SACKRENTER comments on these proceedings thus, and few will disagree with him. The end, none but the Omniscient can foresee:—

The resolutions of the Diet are not satisfactory, and will not be received by the American Grand Lodges as an acceptable solution of the questions at issue, as indeed, nothing will but a frank recognition of our *exclusive right of jurisdiction, with all the consequences thereto attaching*. The Diet has traveled part of the way by its conditional recognition, and we most earnestly and fraternally urge it to finish the journey by a complete withdrawal from so much of its position as we have demonstrated to be untenable and unsatisfactory to the Grand Lodges on this continent. We fraternally request the Diet and its constituents to consider that, although they may agree to concurrent jurisdiction among themselves, we do not and cannot now establish any such law here, and that, consequently, what the American Grand Lodges require of

and concede to each other must, *ex necessitate*, be the rule of action in regard to all others in this country. When this is properly understood and frankly acted upon there will be peace and harmony.

SAXONY.—The Grand Lodge of this Kingdom held its Communication in April, 1876. A new Constitution was discussed and adopted. We find only this item of interest in addition:—

The report of Bro. VON MENSCH must be, before all, interesting to us, inasmuch as this brother always gives the most minute attention to pending questions, and is indefatigable in the faithful discharge of his duty. Bro. VON MENSCH communicates in his report the names of the newly-elected Grand Officers, and gives an extract from Grand Master Bro. ELWOOD E. THORNE'S Address; also in full the letter of the same, dated November 20, 1875, to Grand Master Bro. PFALTZ and Bro. PFALTZ'S answer, with very extensive and proper commentaries on this correspondence, and the question of the colored Grand Lodges in America.

Then our representative says the following:—

“In view that the decision upon the continuation or the dissolution of the brotherly relations between the American Grand Lodges, and (excepting Hamburg) the German Grand Lodges is very near, my report will only embrace matters directly connected with the present questions and circumstances. The solution and decision of the controversy on the right of Masonic exclusive jurisdiction, and on the recognition of the colored Grand Lodges (such recognition being directly opposed to any right of jurisdiction), which was lately transferred and thrown in by and from the Hamburg Grand Lodge into the German Grand Lodge League, will depend on the New York Grand Lodge and the other American Grand Lodges, in accordance with and in consequence of the resolutions to be adopted by the German Grand Lodge Diet, on June 4, 1876, at Berlin. The Grand Lodge Diet must come to a final resolution, and must give a precise answer to the New York Grand Lodge.”

After reviewing the transactions in detail, and after giving the statistics of the New York Grand Lodge jurisdiction, Bro. VON MENSCH concludes as follows:—

Last year the Grand Lodge of the State of New York chartered two new Lodges, working in the German tongue, within its jurisdiction. One of these Lodges, situated at East New York, (a suburb of the Empire City) adopted, on the special wish of Mr. W., Grand Master Bro. THORNE, in my honor, the name of “*Von Mensch Lodge*.” This distinction, in connection with the honorary and brotherly mention in the Grand Master's Address, was conferred on me as representative of the New York Grand Lodge, near the Grand Lodge of Saxony. I appreciate this sentiment, based on true and faithful performance of my duty towards my constituents, and the other American Grand Lodges; but I feel that the entire rendering of my services is scarcely equal to the flattering acknowledgment, and the high rewards and honors received on several occasions, and in a high degree, from my constituents. If a representative is as much and as deeply convinced of the justice and the rights of his constituents, in a controversy existing now nearly twenty-five years, as I am, my continual advocacy and vindication of the rights of the New York Grand Lodge is only a small merit—it is nothing but the emanation of a true sense of duty.

The cultivation and preservation of the amicable and brotherly relations between the New York Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of Saxony, has been always very much facilitated by the unconditional confidence of my constituents on one side, and by the obliging courtesy and personal good feelings of five successive Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Saxony, on the other side, during thirty-two years of my holding the office of representative.

During the critical state on which depends the continuation of the harmonious and brotherly relations between the American and German brethren, I never ceased to direct my wishes and endeavors toward peace; and I would be happy, if, *under the circumstances*, my activity and efficacy at the Grand Lodge of Saxony were at present not terminated.

GRAND LODGE OF THE “ECLECTIC UNION,” FRANKFORT.—From the proceedings of this Grand Lodge we quote only this curious action towards an eminent and highly esteemed brother:—

A very lively and comprehensive debate took place at this session of December, 1876, in reference to the expulsion from the Masonic Fraternity of Bro. G. A. SCHIFFMANN, Past Master, at Stettin, and Deputy Grand Master of the Grosse Landes Lodge at Berlin, by this Grand Lodge.

The case of Bro. SCHIFFMANN, although really an internal matter only, of a German Grand Lodge, has, notwithstanding, a general interest, and we propose, therefore, to give a short narration of this extraordinary and exciting event.

BRO. SCHIFFMANN was the second highest Grand Officer of the said "Grosse Landes Lodge," at Berlin, which works in accordance with the so-called Swedish Rite and System, as practiced and founded in Sweden on strictly Protestant Christian principles. This system of Sweden claims for its origin and for the general origin of Freemasonry quite other sources than the English branch of the Fraternity can show; does not acknowledge the revival of the Craft by the Grand Lodge of England, in 1717 and 1721, and pretends to have in possession true and original documents of the real origin of its peculiar chivalric order of Freemasonry, from immemorial times, thereby proclaiming that only "Christians" can be admitted as regular Freemasons to the symbolic and high degrees. The Crown Prince, FREDERIC WILLIAM, was formerly Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, and of this so-called Swedish System in Germany, but he resigned the position about six or seven years ago, giving, without concealment, as his reasons, the untenable nature of the historic documents and the whole system. By the inducement and order of the Crown Prince, BRO. SCHIFFMANN made very thorough examinations and scholarly researches of the so-called historic documents of the "Grosse Landes Lodge," kept secret and concealed from all the lower, especially, the symbolic degrees. He found that these documents were partly spurious and forgeries, partly totally valueless, and that the English version and the English origin was the only true and rightful source.

BRO. SCHIFFMANN, who is a much respected and distinguished theologian, scholar, and Dean of the Cathedral at Stettin, did not hesitate to lay the result of his investigations before the Crown Prince and the highest Chamber for Ritualistic matters of the Grand Lodge; but the answer of the Grand Lodge, or rather of the reigning Grand Officers, was his expulsion from the Masonic brotherhood, on the ground that he violated his oath to keep secret such matters, and his obligation as a Freemason, by making such investigations into sacred documents and by communicating the result to others.

All the other Grand Lodges of Germany and their subordinate Lodges declared the expulsion of Bro. SCHIFFMANN illegal and lacking good reasons. The whole matter created an unusual excitement on both sides, inasmuch as the "Grosse Landes Lodge" irrevocably insisted on the expulsion. We understand that the subject will be brought before the next Grand Lodge Diet, and it is to be feared that the same will eventually give an impulse for a division or a separation unless a better and more peaceable sense shall prevail.

GRAND LODGE OF "THREE GLOBES," BERLIN.—It is generally known, we suppose, to our readers, that in this, and perhaps in all the German Grand Lodges, Hebrews cannot be admitted. Yearly discussions take place in attempts to repeal this illiberal restriction. From the report of this year, it appears that a large majority favor the change, but not the two-thirds necessary to change the Constitution:—

After some preliminary discussion about the order of the day, the debates on the striking out Section 165, No 1, of the Constitution, regarding the admission and initiation of Jews, was opened. In the discussion of this matter, the question was treated and ventilated in its various shapes, in a lively, and, at times, rather sharp manner, and the result of the ballot gave eighty-eight affirmative and fifty-seven negative votes. As a two-third majority was not reached, the motion to strike out this section was again lost.

The motion to strike out this section was several times before the legislative body of the Grand Lodge. We reported in former years on this strange and incomprehensible action, and gave, as our opinion, that the views expressed on the occasion differ so essentially from what we are accustomed to understand as Masonry, that it would be an idle and fruitless task to exhibit or comment upon the same before American Masons. We cannot but repeat our views on the matter, as expressed in former years, and have to mention that the Grand Master, BRO. VON ETZEL, a very intelligent, zealous, and true Mason in his profane life, and a skilled, experienced, and able Prussian-general, now on the retired list, resolved, on account of the distasteful manner of the debate on this question of admitting none but Christians into Freemasonry, to resign his office. He announced at the close of this quarterly session that he would hold the office of Grand Master only until the session of the next Grand Lodge Diet was over, at which he had to preside, and that immediately after he would send in his resignation, which was done, and a dimit granted. This explains why the letter of the Grand Lodge Diet, dated Berlin, June 30, 1876, to the New York Grand Lodge, was not signed by the Grand Master, but by his substitute, BRO. FREDERICH.

GRAND LODGE "ALPINA," OF SWITZERLAND.—As we see from our exchanges with other Foreign Grand Bodies, the Grand Lodge "Alpina," of Switzerland, held its annual session October 28 and 29, 1876, at Berne, in the rooms of the subordinate Lodge "Zur Hoffnung."

The main object of this session was the adoption of resolutions to adopt a concordat with the Supreme Council of the thirty-third degree for Switzerland, located at Lausanne, by which act all the symbolic Lodges pass under the jurisdiction of the "Alpina Grand Lodge," and all the high grade bodies under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Council.

And, we take occasion to say, that it is long since we have heard better news from abroad. The Grand Lodge "Alpina" now becomes a sovereign and independent body like the Grand Lodges in this country, and when the facts are officially placed before its peers in the United States, they can consistently, and will no doubt cheerfully, enter into relations of amity and correspondence with the Swiss brethren. It may be well to add, that wherever there is a Grand Orient controlling subordinate Lodges, yet itself subject to a higher organization, the course pursued in Switzerland will have to be adopted in order to secure recognition in this country.

We propose to give a brief narration of the memorable act, and a translation of the resolution, which reads as follows:—

"Resolved, The Lodges 'Avenir' at Vevay, 'Liberto' at Lausanne, 'Courage and Perseverance' at Payerne, 'Verite et Progres' at Bex, 'Freier Rhein' at Schaffhausen, constituted by the Supreme Council of the thirty-third and last degree for Switzerland, and coming on January 1, 1877, in and under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge 'Alpina,' of Switzerland, shall have the same position with the Grand Lodge 'Alpina' as all other subordinate Lodges of the said Grand Lodge Jurisdiction; they are in all regards subject to the regulations of the fundamental law of August 23, 1844; to the decrees and decisions since then issued by the Grand Lodge; to the statutes of the Swiss Lodge Confederation of June 22, 1874, and to all future regulations adopted according to law and Masonic jurisprudence.

"Therefore it is guaranteed to them, in accordance with Section 24 of the Constitution, to work as formerly and use the same rituals, which have to be laid before the Grand Lodge in obedience to the decision of the Grand Lodge of October 24, 1858. Their charters will be guaranteed, attested and sealed, by the Grand Lodge 'Alpina.'

"They are liberated from the payment of two hundred francs as fee for Constitution and charter; they only have to pay from the 1st of January, 1877, the usual Grand Lodge dues as provided for in Section 28 of the Constitution."

The following facts of the beginning and propagation of Masonry in Switzerland from Grand Master TSCHARNER'S Address will be of general interest to the Masonic Fraternity.

The first Masonic Lodge in Switzerland was opened at the city of Geneva in the year 1737, from where Lodges at Lausanne and in the interior of Switzerland were constituted. At the end of the last century about a dozen Masonic Lodges existed in the country, but nearly all of them ceased to work in consequence of the war. As soon as times and circumstances became quiet, the Lodge "Zur Hoffnung" (Hope Lodge) was constituted at Berne, September 14, 1803. At the same time, the idea to bring all Masonic bodies in Switzerland together in one Grand Body, originated from this Lodge at Berne, but could not be brought about. Again, in 1817 and 1820, the result, now before the Swiss Fraternity, could not come to a final decision, notwithstanding the labors, endeavors, and working of brethren in Berne, Bale, and Lausanne. Only a partial union of eight, later of twelve, Lodges in the cantons of Berne, Neuchatel, Waadt, and Geneva was effected, under the name of the "Grosse Landes Lodge of Switzerland," with the seat at Berne. In 1836, on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the foundation of the Lodge at Zurich, it was again considered and taken in view that the Swiss Lodges assume nearer relations, and that a Grand Lodge should be erected. But only in 1838, or rather in 1840, it was finally decided and resolved by seventeen Swiss Lodges to create a Grand Lodge for Switzerland; the same, under the name "Alpina," was legally constituted at Zurich, and the first Grand Master, Bro. HOLLINGER, was then elected and installed.

At last the compact and concordat between the "Alpina" Grand Lodge, now located at Berne, and the Supreme Council, as executed and exchanged in October, 1876, brings the Masonic condition of the Fraternity in Switzerland to a regular and honorable standard.

GRAND LODGE OF SWEDEN.—The Grand Lodge of Sweden is very exclusive, especially as its idea of Freemasonry is quite different from what the English branch of the Fraternity calls Freemasonry and its history. Grand Lodge proceedings and minutes of subordinate Lodges are not printed, and their promulgation or publication is forbidden by constitutional laws.

We give, in the following, a letter from a brother in Stockholm to a brother of another jurisdiction, which explains itself, and which gives a gleam of light on Swedish Freemasonry.

"About exchange of transactions and protocols, there can be no talking about it; because the minutes and protocols can never come outside of Lodges, and are never printed. I will, however, endeavor to give you, from time to time, some news from the transactions, labors, and working of the Symbolic Lodges that might be of interest to you. Here in Stockholm are two Symbolic or St. John's Lodges in activity, the 'St. Eric Lodge' and the 'Nordiska Forsta Lodge' (First Northern Lodge). I am a member of 'St. Eric Lodge,' and we had the fortune to have as Master our beloved King, OSCAR II, during nearly twenty years, from 1852 until the death of his brother, King CARL XV, in 1872. He was not Master only by the name, but really the leader of the Lodge, inasmuch as he conducted and presided at all Lodge Meetings himself and conferred the degrees, especially in the first ten years of his Mastership, and as he enlightened everything through his fine and amiable spirit. Now, being King, he is, as formerly, attached to our Lodge, and visits the same as often as possible. A few weeks ago he conferred the first degree on two candidates. All the Swedish brethren follow the development and efficiency of Freemasonry, especially in Germany, with great interest, but the several systems and rites of the Foreign Grand Bodies make us fear that their working will dissipate the mutual aim and destiny.

"It was several times proposed to change and amend our rite in so far that also non-Christian candidates could be initiated. This could be perhaps effected for the first three degrees, probably for some higher degrees; but a certain limit must take place, and such a change or amendment would be illogical and wrong, because the highest degrees would be anyhow veiled and closed. We have a very brotherly intercourse with brethren of all foreign jurisdictions, and often such brethren from abroad find (when Christians) affiliation and promotion in our Lodges."

Under the Grand Lodge of Sweden work twenty-seven subordinate Lodges. The Grand Master is King Bro. OSCAR FREDERICK; his Deputy, Bro. Count STENLEWENHAUPT; Recording Grand Secretary is Bro. D. E. N. NORDLANDER; Lieutenant Colonel and Corresponding Secretary, Bro. WILHELM VON SCHULTZ, Chamberlain.

UNITED GRAND ORIENT OF BRAZIL.—The struggles against the attacks of the Catholic clergy against Freemasonry in Brazil have not yet ceased. The bishops of Olinda and Para, however, who were condemned by the higher State Courts to be imprisoned for their aggressive and unlawful attacks against Freemasonry, have been pardoned by the Emperor before he left the country for his American and European tour; therefore, and in compensation, the Pope abolished the "Interdict" which the two bishops had laid upon all members of the Masonic Fraternity within their dioceses. Notwithstanding, several Catholic priests refuse the benefits of the Church to all Masons.

During the first quarter of 1876 four new Symbolic Lodges have been chartered by the United Grand Orient, (System dos Benedictinos), two in the Capital and two in the Province Rio Grande do Sul, so that at present there exist under this united jurisdiction 189 Symbolic Lodges, 107 Chapters, (Rose-Croix), and five Provincial Grand Bodies.

The subordinate Lodge "Uniao e Segredo," at Bahia, founded, on the day of the installation of its newly elected officers, an Orphan Asylum, and bought sixty slaves to be liberated. Bro. M. A. LOPES, a member of the Lodge, donated to the liberated slaves the means for further subsistence.

The Lodge "Zur Eintracht," at Porto Alegre, in the Province Rio Grande do Sul, with about one hundred members, working in the German tongue, but under the Brazil jurisdiction, laid the corner-stone of a Masonic Temple. On this occasion a Masonic procession through the whole city took place; an event never before heard of in Brazil. The Master of this Lodge, "Zur Eintracht," is Bro. CARL VON KOSERTZ, editor of a German daily newspaper, and of a Masonic weekly called the "Acacia." The Province of Rio Grande do Sul has a population of 450,000 inhabitants, among them 60,000 Germans, mostly Protestants.

The two Provinces San Panto and Rio Grande do Sul distinguish themselves in the fight against the Roman Catholic aggression. These provinces have more public schools than any others; popular scientific lectures are held; they have popular and circulating libraries, and the Press is in a sound condition. There exist in Brazil five Masonic periodicals.

All Symbolic Lodges work, so far, under this Grand Orient; but it seems there is a very liberal regime, also a great unity among all brethren of the jurisdiction, inasmuch as they have united to stand together against their sole and only enemy in the Empire—the Catholic clergy, headed by the Jesuits. The Constitution of the jurisdiction forbids the initiation of any individual who is a slave-holder, or who raises or imports slaves.

CONCLUSION.

We append a table showing the number of Lodges and of members thereof in good standing. With the exception of Michigan (marked with an asterisk) the figures are taken from the proceedings reviewed. Those of that jurisdiction are the statistics of the previous year.

Grand Lodges.	No. of Lodges.	No. of Members.	Grand Lodges.	No. of Lodges.	No. of Members.
Alabama,.....	418.....	8,538	Missouri,.....	490.....	23,739
Arkansas,.....	332.....	8,081	Montana,....	17.....	677
British Columbia,....	8.....	312	Nebraska, ...	60.....	2,509
California,.....	201.....	11,931	Nevada,.....	19.....	1,383
Canada,.....	303.....	16,719	New Brunswick, ...	30.....	2,246
Colorado,.....	23.....	1,413	New Hampshire,.....	73.....	7,674
Connecticut,.....	113.....	15,011	New Jersey, ...	147.....	11,988
Dakota,.....	6.....	241	New York,.....	718.....	81,296
Delaware,.....	21.....	1,219	North Carolina,.....	240.....	11,917
District of Columbia,...	21.....	2,778	Nova Scotia,.....	68.....	3,401
Florida,.....	71.....	2,154	Ohio,.....	467.....	30,608
Georgia,.....	307.....	14,475	Oregon,.....	57.....	2,248
Idaho,.....	11.....	389	Pennsylvania,...	370.....	38,236
Illinois,.....	696.....	40,472	Prince Edward Island,..	—.....	—
Indiana,.....	519.....	28,101	Quebec,.....	63.....	2,716
Indian Territory,.....	8.....	196	Rhode Island,.....	31.....	4,072
Iowa,.....	380.....	17,876	South Carolina,.....	184.....	7,346
Kansas,.....	161.....	6,896	Tennessee,.....	396.....	18,635
Kentucky,.....	500.....	21,237	Texas,.....	282.....	13,345
Louisiana,....	160.....	6,449	Utah,.....	6.....	341
Maine,.....	179.....	19,365	Vermont,.....	100.....	8,169
Manitoba,.....	6.....	316	Virginia,.....	225.....	8,992
Maryland,.....	93.....	5,657	Washington,.....	20.....	720
Massachusetts, ...	219.....	26,292	West Virginia,.....	76.....	3,431
*Michigan, ...	330.....	26,704	Wisconsin,.....	184.....	10,515
Minnesota,.....	113.....	6,569	Wyoming, ...	4.....	255
Mississippi, ...	315.....	11,170			
Totals,.....				9,841	597,916

And here ends another pleasant walk through the fields and workshops of the Fraternity. Words of good cheer have generally greeted us. Sometimes matters, Masonically, were not as bright and cheering as could be wished, but the causes of embarrassment and stagnation were but temporary, as we believe. The cause of Freemasonry is onward. Brethren are more and more realizing the moral obligations of their brotherhood. We care not how strictly Masons are thus held. Numbers only bring weakness, if there be no moral backbone—no living up to the principles of the institution. The howlings of the fanatics outside, whether coming from the Vatican or Blanchard & Co., will hurt no one, if Lodges and members are but faithful to the inner as well as the outer life of Masonry. We therefore hail with joy all steps tending to that result, and trust to see the day when no such thing as intemperance, profanity, or wrong-doing will be found within or about our Masonic family circle.

With many thanks to our brethren of the reportorial corps for their kind words of welcome, we bid them all adieu.

For the committee,

WILLIAM H. HILL, *Chairman.*

The Grand Secretary, on behalf of the officers of the Masonic Board of Relief of the City of San Francisco, presented their annual report, as follows:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

The undersigned beg leave to present the following abstract from the quarterly reports of the Masonic Board of Relief of the City of San Francisco to its constituent Lodges, made during the twelve months ending on the twenty-ninth day of September, 1877:

Since the first Saturday in January, 1877, the Lodges of the city have been represented in the Board by their respective Masters or delegates, as follows:

<i>California</i> , No. 1, by JESSE C. REED.	<i>Pacific</i> , No. 136, by GEORGE LEVIST N.
<i>Parf. Union</i> , " 17, " DOM. G. LUCIEN.	<i>Crockett</i> , " 139, " JAS. L. COGSWELL.
<i>Occidental</i> , " 22, " SAM'L W. BACKUS.	<i>Oriental</i> , " 144, " WM. J. TOWNSHEND.
<i>Golden Gate</i> , " 30, " SAMUEE HERVEY.	<i>Excelsior</i> , " 166, " WENDELL EASTON.
<i>Mt. Moriah</i> , " 44, " MICH. J. KEATING.	<i>Mission</i> , " 169, " JOHN WAGNER.
<i>Fidelity</i> , " 120, " GEORGE BARSTOW.	<i>So. San. F.</i> " 212, " FRANCIS BARRETT.
<i>Hermann</i> , " 127, " CHRISTIAN VOIGT.	<i>Doric</i> , " 216, " CHARLES J. HARE.
<i>Speranza Italiana</i> , No. 219, ANDREA SBARBORO.	

At the first meeting in January the following officers were elected for the ensuing year, viz.: JESSE C. REED, President; JAMES L. COGSWELL, Treasurer; CHARLES McQUESTEN, Secretary.

On the seventh day of July, 1877, the resignation of Bro. JAMES L. COGSWELL, as Treasurer of the Board, was accepted, and Bro. WILLIAM J. TOWNSHEND was elected to fill the vacancy. The regular meetings of the Board have been held every Saturday evening.

The receipts of the Board from the first day of October, 1876, to the twenty-ninth day of September, 1877, inclusive, have been as follows:—

From Assessments upon the Lodges:

<i>California</i> , No. 1,.....	\$360 50	<i>Crockett</i> , No. 139,....	\$120 50
<i>Parfaite Union</i> , " 17,.....	143 50	<i>Oriental</i> , " 144,.....	281 50
<i>Occidental</i> , " 22,.....	366 50	<i>Excelsior</i> , " 166,.....	307 80
<i>Golden Gate</i> , " 30,.....	298 80	<i>Mission</i> , " 169,.....	283 60
<i>Mount Moriah</i> , " 44,.....	410 00	<i>So. San Francisco</i> , " 212,.....	65 00
<i>Fidelity</i> , " 120,.....	271 80	<i>Doric</i> , " 216,.....	180 00
<i>Hermann</i> , " 127,.....	174 30	<i>Speranza Italiana</i> , " 219, ...	78 80
<i>Pacific</i> , " 136,.....	309 00		

Total amount of receipts from assessments upon the Lodges,.....	\$3,741 60
Appropriation to this Board of Relief by the Grand Lodge,.....	2,000 00
Donations to the Board by sundry brethren,.....	10 60
Refunded by sundry Lodges in California,.....	946 25
Refunded by sundry Lodges of other jurisdictions,.....	2,386 34
Net proceeds of an entertainment at Woodward's Gardens, May 2, 1877,....	1,491 15
Balance received from an entertainment given June 24, 1876,.....	192 00
Sundry amounts received for premiums on gold, etc.,.....	147 82

Being an aggregate amount of receipts from all sources, of.....\$10,915 76
To which add the balance on hand September 30th, 1876,..... 981 67

Making a total to the credit of the fund, of.. ..\$11,897 43

The disbursements during the year have been as follows:—

For the relief of sick or needy brethren,.....	\$6,378 68
For the relief of the wives, widows, and children of brethren,.....	2,304 40

Being a total disbursement for charities, of..... \$8,683 08

To which is to be added the following:—

For sundry incidental expenses,.....	\$970 66
For discount on currency, silver, etc.,.....	146 63
	1,117 59

Making the total expenditure for the year,..... \$9,800 67

And leaving a balance in the treasury, September 29, 1877, of.. 2,066 76

The foregoing sum of \$8,683 03 was distributed as follows:—

To 1 case from Arizona,.....	\$46 00	Amount brought forward...	\$5,378 95
" 6 " " Australia,.....	74 00	To 2 cases from New Jersey ..	28 00
" 27 " " California,....	2,009 00	" 24 " " New York,...	1,303 06
" 5 " " Canada,.....	88 65	" 1 " " New Zealand,.	8 00
" 1 " " Canary Isl'ds.,	22 75	" 1 " " N. Brunswick,	37 00
" 1 " " Colorado,....	23 55	" 1 " " New Granada,	2 00
" 4 " " Connecticut, .	492 50	" 3 " " Nebraska,....	78 00
" 2 " " Dist. Columbia,	110 00	" 3 " " Nevada,.....	38 50
" 6 " " England,.....	329 00	" 5 " " Ohio,.....	113 75
" 1 " " Georgia,.....	40 00	" 8 " " Oregon,.....	221 00
" 9 " " Illinois,.....	226 50	" 7 " " Pennsylvania,.	254 65
" 3 " " Iowa,.....	259 10	" 1 " " Portugal,....	15 00
" 3 " " Ireland,.....	63 50	" 1 " " So. Carolina,..	21 75
" 4 " " Kansas,.....	486 00	" 1 " " Sandwich Isl's,	50 00
" 1 " " Kentucky,....	50 00	" 1 " " Tennessee,...	28 10
" 4 " " Maine,.....	69 75	" 2 " " Texas,.....	70 00
" 6 " " Massachusetts,	230 20	" 3 " " Utah,.....	152 50
" 9 " " Michigan,....	354 00	" 1 " " Vermont, ...	10 00
" 5 " " Missouri,....	311 95	" 5 " " Wash'n Ter'y,	505 05
" 3 " " N. Hampshire,	62 50	" 3 " " Wisconsin,....	128 00
		" 9 " " Unclassified, .	239 77

Amount carried forward,....\$5,378 95

Being a total, for one hundred and eighty-three cases of relief, of.....\$8,683 08

RECAPITULATION.

Balance in the treasury September 30th, 1876,...	\$ 981 67
Received from assessments upon the Lodges of this city,.....	3,741 60
Received appropriation from the Grand Lodge, ...	2,000 00
Received from donations, repayments, etc., ..	3,343 19
Received from proceeds of entertainments, etc,.....	1,633 15
Received for premiums on gold, etc.,.....	147 82

Making a total of balance and receipts,..... \$11,897 43

From which deduct the expenditures for the year,..... 9,860 67

Leaving a balance in the treasury, September 29th, 1877, of... \$2,096 76

Of the foregoing sum of \$8683 08, disbursed for the relief of the sick and distressed, there were expended—

For Masons of the jurisdiction of California,.....	\$1,262 00
For Masons of other jurisdictions,.....	5,116 68
For wives, widows, and orphans of Masons of California, ...	747 00
For wives, widows, and orphans of Masons of other jurisdictions,.....	1,557 40

Making an aggregate amount, as above, of.....\$8,683 08

The following is a summary of the receipts and disbursements of the Board during the twenty-two years of its existence :—

Receipts :

Year.	From City Lodges.	From Other Sources.	Totals.
1856.	\$1,928 25	\$1,484 00	\$3,412 25
1857.	1,906 30	2,051 62	3,957 92
1858.	1,848 18	1,376 00	3,224 18
1859.	1,688 90	1,428 50	3,117 40
1860.	2,089 00	1,501 21	3,590 21
1861.	2,311 20	1,519 00	3,830 20
1862.	2,507 16	2,206 75	4,713 91
1863-4.	5,213 45	6,004 74	11,218 19
1865.	4,380 14	3,231 30	7,611 44
1866.	4,169 20	3,021 21	7,190 41
1867.	4,155 80	5,074 85	9,230 65
1868.	3,553 20	3,709 10	7,262 30
1869.	3,325 00	4,515 00	7,840 00
1870.	3,865 60	2,774 24	6,639 84
1871.	4,710 42	2,741 60	7,452 02
1872.	3,111 60	4,707 54	7,819 14
1873.	3,222 60	3,559 95	6,782 55
1874.	3,806 70	4,289 10	8,095 80
1875.	3,719 60	4,048 35	7,767 95
1876.	4,011 30	5,008 04	9,019 34
1877.	3,741 60	7,174 16	10,915 76
	\$69,265 20	\$71,426 26	\$140,691 46

Expenditures :

Year.	Masons of California.	Of other Jurisdictions.	Widows and Orphans of California.	Of other Jurisdictions.	Incidental Expenses.	Total Expended.
1856.	\$ 113 00	\$ 1,297 00	\$ 20 00	\$ 1,054 50	\$ 35 00	\$ 2,519 50
1857.	550 25	730 00	299 00	1,187 00	34 00	2,800 25
1858.	558 10	1,687 65	448 25	1,006 50	14 00	3,714 50
1859.	974 75	1,272 92	410 00	1,479 50	86 25	4,223 42
1860.	527 25	1,425 05	155 00	1,166 79	168 60	3,442 69
1861.	993 45	1,791 00	85 00	860 00	35 00	3,764 45
1862.	1,310 40	2,174 49	424 60	1,358 75	70 00	5,338 24
1863-4.	2,265 14	5,230 28	1,304 86	3,077 36	91 00	11,968 64
1865.	1,311 80	3,604 42	650 00	2,795 25	.....	8,361 47
1866.	903	3,497 44	819 25	1,916 69	170 00	7,306 50
1867.	1,529 95	2,558 82	525 82	1,490 07	211 05	6,315 71
1868.	1,714 10	2,866 40	658 00	2,222 53	424 40	7 885 43
1869.	1,120 00	2,160 40	949 75	1,814 55	434 55	6,479 25
1870.	2,287 95	3,631 60	386 35	1,524 85	290 25	8,121 00
1871.	2,227 75	2,670 68	512 00	2,010 15	294 25	7,714 83
1872.	1,290 25	2,935 28	829 00	2,725 60	374 00	8,154 13
1873.	1,073 50	1,860 85	634 00	2,474 91	568 50	6,611 76
1874.	1,037 50	2,436 17	595 00	1,789 10	520 00	6,377 77
1875.	1,868 00	3,841 37	558 50	2,431 50	533 75	9,233 12
1876.	1,708 45	4,233 88	235 00	1,551 15	682 89	8,461 37
1877.	1,262 00	5,116 68	747 00	1,557 40	1,117 59	9,800 77
	\$26,626 71	\$57,022 38	\$11,296 38	\$37,494 15	\$6,155 08	\$138,594 80

All which is respectfully submitted by

JESSE C. REED, *President.*

CHARLES McQUESTEN, *Secretary.*

Which report, together with sundry reports presented by the Boards of Relief of Sacramento, San Jose, Stockton, Marysville, and Los Angeles, were referred to the Committee on Finances.

BRO. HIRAM N. RUCKER proposed an amendment to the Constitution requiring Masons residing in this State, but claiming membership elsewhere, to exhibit to the Masters of the several Lodges within whose jurisdiction they reside, a receipt for dues at least once in every six months ; which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

BRO. MICHAEL J. KEATING, from the Masonic Board of Relief of the City of San Francisco, presented a memorial from that Board relative to a proposed assessment upon the Lodges for its assistance ; which was ordered to be referred to a special committee of five.

The Grand Master named the following brethren to constitute such special committee—

<i>On the Memorial from the Board of Relief :</i>	{	Bro. Michael James Keating, “ Jonathan Doan Hines, “ Henry Hay Knapp, “ Theodore Guevara Cockrill, “ Samuel Woolsey Backus.
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On motion of Bro. WILLIAM A. DAVIES, it was ordered that the address of the Grand Orator be made the special order for three o'clock on Thursday afternoon.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until seven and a half o'clock this evening.

In Grand Lodge.

EVENING SESSION,
Tuesday, October 9th, A. L. 5877. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at seven and a half o'clock, the Deputy Grand Master presiding.

The Grand Lecturer exemplified the work of the first degree in Masonry.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

In Grand Lodge.

MORNING SESSION,
Wednesday, October 10th, A. L. 5877. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at ten o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

After music by the choir and prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the minutes of the sessions of yesterday were read and approved.

Bro. GEORGE T. GRIMES, from the Committee on Credentials, reported the following officers and representatives of Lodges, and Past Masters by service within this jurisdiction, as being present and entitled to seats, viz.: from

<i>Western Star</i> , ...	No. 2, ...	CLAY WEBSTER TAYLOR, Senior Warden.
<i>Tehama</i> , ...	No. 3, ...	FREDERICK CONRAD STOBER, Junior Warden.
<i>Golden Gate</i> , ...	No. 30, . . .	THOMAS ROBB HENSELWOOD, Past Master.
<i>Mount Meriah</i> , ...	No. 44, . . .	WILLIAM GORHAM DOOLITTLE, Past Master.
<i>Suisun</i> , ...	No. 55, . . .	JEROME BONAPARTE RICHARDSON, Past Master.
<i>Morning Star</i> , ...	No. 68, . . .	BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BAGLEY, Senior Warden.
<i>Naval</i> , ...	No. 87, . . .	{ ABRAHAM POWELL, } { OSGOOD HILTON, } Past Masters.
<i>Clay</i> , ...	No. 101, . . .	{ GEORGE HENRY DAVIDSON, Senior Warden. { ISAAC TIBBETTS COFFIN, Past Master.
<i>Pajaro</i> , ...	No. 110, . . .	JAMES MARTIN RODGERS, Senior Warden.
<i>Concord</i> , ...	No. 117, . . .	WILLIAM ROLAND JONES, Junior Warden.
<i>So. San Francisco</i> , . . .	No. 212, . . .	THEODORE HANFORD BLOOMER, Junior Warden.
<i>Hayward</i> , ...	No. 223, . . .	JOSIAH PARKER AMES, Past Master.
<i>Solano</i> , ...	No. 229, . . .	{ JOHN FARNHAM, Master. { JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, Past Master.

Which report was concurred in and the brethren therein named were admitted to seats.

The Grand Master announced the appointment of the following regular committees, viz. :—

<i>On Finances :</i>	<i>On Charters :</i>
Bro. George Clement Perkins,	Bro. Theodore Guevara Cöckrill,
“ Josiah Perkins Brown,	“ Alexander Gibson Oliver,
“ Hiram Throop Graves,	“ James Adams,
“ Charles Lewis Thomas,	“ Albert Jay Lowry,
“ Jonathan Doan Hines.	“ Thomas Maria Bittencourt.

On By-Laws :

Bro. John Chany Partridge,
“ Samuel Watson Boring,
“ James Beazell,
“ John Warner,
“ Benjamin Pauly.

He also named the following brethren to fill vacancies existing in the standing committees, viz. :—

On Returns : Bro. Samuel Howard Gerrish.

On Pay of Members : } Bro. Henry Kier,
" " Henry Conrad Warner.

BRO. WILLIAM H. CRANE, from the special committee to whom had been referred the Report of the Grand Secretary, presented the following report :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom was referred the Annual Report of the Grand Secretary, respectfully report that they have given that paper such thorough investigation and careful consideration as the time given them would allow, and find it well and handsomely prepared in every particular—again showing, by its contents and arrangement, the skill and judgment which have so long characterized the management of the affairs of that office, and being so clear and comprehensive in regard to all matters, financial and otherwise, that there scarcely seems to be any need of a report from this committee concerning it. We do, however, as has been the custom, recommend the following references of certain of its subjects :—

That so much as relates to Lodges chartered at the last Communication, and to the formation of new Lodges, be referred to the Committee on Charters :

That so much as relates to the proposed amendments to the by-laws of Lodges, and the by-laws submitted by the Lodges acting under dispensation, be referred to the Committee on By-Laws :

That so much as relates to communications received from without the jurisdiction, to the issue of special dispensations, and to the unfinished business of the Committee on Jurisprudence of last year, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence :

That so much as relates to transcripts of trial-proceedings, to petitions for restoration, and to the communication complaining of the action of the Master and certain members of *Woodbridge* Lodge, No. 131, be referred to the Committee on Grievances :

That so much as relates to assistance asked from the Grand Lodge, and the suggestion of the Grand Secretary, which, if carried into effect, would give the Grand Master the power to use a portion of the funds of the Grand Lodge in certain contingencies, and also all monetary matters contained in the report, be referred to the Committee on Finances.

We have also examined the condition of our rapidly increasing library, and find that there is not room in the present book-cases for the books now on hand, and we therefore suggest to the Committee on Finances that an appropriation should be placed at the disposal of the Grand Secretary, sufficient to enable him to procure such additional book-cases as may be required.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM H. CRANE,	} Committee.
HENRY S. ORME,	
WILLIAM G. HUDSON,	
JOHN H. BONNER,	
FRANKLIN H. DAY,	

Which report was concurred in and the references therein recommended were ordered.

BRO. WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Grievances, presented the following reports :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom were referred the transcripts in the following cases of trials by subordinate Lodges, wherein no appeals have been taken, have had the same under consideration and report that they find the trials to have been had substantially in accordance with the provisions of our law, that in each case the findings are fully warranted by the evidence, and that, consequently, no action thereupon is required on the part of this Grand Lodge, viz. :—

Thomas Miller Barr,.....suspended by Nevada,	No. 13,....Jan.	10, 1877 ;
James McNulty,.....suspended by Suisun,	“ 55,....Dec.	30, 1876 ;
Peter Belcher,.....suspended by Humboldt,	“ 79, ...Jan.	4, 1877 ;
John Henry Parnell,.....expelled by Concord,	“ 117, ...Jan.	6, 1877 ;
James Forsyth Mackie,....expelled by Woodland,	“ 156,....Feb.	23, 1877 ;
Julius Verton Minor, ...expelled by Claiborne,	“ 185,....Aug.	18, 1877 ;
James Harvey Lee,.....expelled by Buckeye,	“ 195,....June	30, 1877 ;
William Cape,.....expelled by Pentalpha,	“ 202,....Aug.	20, 1877 ;
Edward A. Bedell,.....suspended by San B'ventura,	“ 214,....May	23, 1877 ;
L. H. Cutler, (N. A.).....expelled by Pleasanton,	“ 218,....April	28, 1877 ;
George Alex. Keith, ...expelled by North Butte,	“ 230,....June	30, 1877 ;
Jasper N. Burtnett,.....suspended by Santa Ana,	“ 241,....March	23, 1877.

Your committee, to whom was referred the appeal of Bro. JAMES REID from the action of *Quitman* Lodge, No. 88, in acquitting Bro. MICHAEL QUINN on charges of unmasonic conduct, have carefully examined the evidence in the case and report that they can see no good reason why the verdict of the commission should be interfered with.

Bro. REID seems to take it very much to heart that the brethren of his Lodge cannot be induced to look on the matter in the same light that he does himself ; but the unanimous testimony of every witness called in the case is decidedly in favor of the accused, and we are of the opinion that the commissioners were fully justified in acquitting the brother of the charges brought against him. We therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption :—

Resolved, That the action of *Quitman* Lodge, No. 88, in acquitting Bro. MICHAEL QUINN, be and the same is hereby affirmed.

Bro. SAMUEL G. HILBORN, from the same committee, presented the following report :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom was referred the appeal of Bro. GREENLEAF CURTIS from the action of *Crescent* Lodge, No. 45, in suspending SAMUEL HARGREAVES from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, have had the same under consideration and report as follows :—

In this case the accused is charged with assault with intent to commit rape upon two young girls, aged respectively eleven and thirteen years. There are two specifications to the charge, each transaction being set forth in a separate specification, and the accused was found guilty upon both. The only testimony introduced at the trial in support of the second specification is wholly hearsay, and therefore insufficient to sustain the finding ; but the proof in support of the first specification is ample, and consists of a transcript of the record of a trial had in the County Court of the county of Del Norte, wherein the accused was tried for the offense contained in the first specification. He was indicted for assault with intent to commit rape, but was finally convicted of a simple assault.

The appellant in this case appeals from that portion of the judgment of the Lodge which affixes the penalty of suspension *only*. An assault is a Masonic crime of greater or less gravity, according to the circumstances under which it is committed. It may be a very slight Masonic offense or it may be a very grave one. This Grand Lodge has often thrown the mantle of charity over the violent acts of brethren committed in the heat of passion, engendered by political strife or the conflicts of business. Such occurrences are not taken as evidence of a fixed condition of mental depravity; but the case before us affords no such apology. The person assaulted was a young girl, and the motive for it was of the basest kind, and could only spring from a mind debased and corrupted, and perhaps even diseased, by the contemplation of filthy things. Such a person is unworthy to remain a Mason. Your committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the action of *Crescent Lodge*, No. 45, in finding SAMUEL HARGREAVES guilty of the first specification of the charge against him, be approved, but that the sentence pronounced against him be reversed and set aside, and that the said accused be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS,	} Committee.
SAMUEL G. HILBORN,	
LEWIS F. JONES,	
WILLIAM B. CRANE,	

All which reports were concurred in and the resolutions accompanying the last two were adopted.

BRO. JOHN E. PURDY, Past Master of *Occidental Lodge*, No. 22, presented the following memorial:—

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of California:—

Your petitioner, HENRY CLAY DOWNING, begs leave to present the following statement of facts for your consideration, with the hope that some action may be had by which he may be enabled to obtain the assistance to which he believes he is fully entitled:—

First. Your petitioner received the three degrees of Masonry (the last on the thirty-first day of March, 1862) in *Occidental Lodge*, No. 22, and has, since that time, until the present date, been constantly borne upon the roll of that Lodge as a member thereof in good standing:

Second. Your petitioner, as is well known to many members of said Lodge, has not only paid all dues required of him by its by-laws, but has ever been ready, while he had the means, (as he formerly had) to give liberally in charity to all the destitute and distressed whose need for assistance came to his knowledge:

Third. Your petitioner represents that on the twenty-third day of June, 1877, he met with an accident which has incapacitated him from attending to any business whatever since that time, or to earn anything for his own support or that of his family; that since said date he has been under the care of a physician and utterly helpless; and that he is likely to so continue for a long time, unless death should kindly relieve him from his sufferings:

Fourth. Your petitioner further represents that he has several times applied for relief to the Master and Wardens of *Occidental Lodge*, No. 22, who, under its by-laws, constitute its Committee on Charity, and that they, or a majority of them, have constantly neglected and refused to give him any aid whatever from the funds of the Lodge, the only assistance which he has received having been the sum of \$105, which was contributed by certain charitable members of said Lodge, as individuals, and which, in his utterly helpless and destitute condition, has fallen far short of his absolute necessities.

Your petitioner therefore prays the Grand Lodge to aid him in his distress, either by its direct action, or by such direction to said officers of *Occidental* Lodge, No. 22, as shall compel them to aid a sick, suffering, and destitute brother, who is a member of that Lodge in good standing.

All which is respectfully submitted by

HENRY CLAY DOWNING.

The undersigned, residents of San Rafael and officers or past officers of *Marin* Lodge, No. 191, at that place, know as a fact, and declare the truth to be, that Bro. H. C. DOWNING is actually in a condition of helplessness and unable even to move from his bed without assistance; and they are fully satisfied, after careful inquiry, that himself and his family are without the common necessities of life except in so much as furnished by friends and charities.

JOHN SIMS, Master,
EDWIN GARDNER, Senior Warden,
HENRY SCHLOSSER, Junior Warden,
WILLIAM N. ANDERSON, Past Master,
THOMAS H. HANSON, Past Master.

Which memorial was ordered to be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

On motion of Bro. FINIS E. JOHNSTON, the report of the special committee to whom was referred the memorial of the Masonic Board of Relief of the City of San Francisco, was made the special order for eleven o'clock to-morrow.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.*



In Grand Lodge.

MORNING SESSION,
Thursday, October 11th, A. L. 5877. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at ten o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

After prayer by the Grand Chaplain and music by the choir, the minutes of the session of yesterday were read and approved.

Bro. GEORGE T. GRIMES, from the Committee on Credentials, reported the following additional officers of Lodges, and Past Masters by service within this jurisdiction, as being present and entitled to seats, viz.: from

* The usual afternoon session of to-day was dispensed with in consequence of the invitation accepted by the Grand Lodge yesterday from the V. E. Grand Clam-Baker, Bro. GEORGE T. BROMLEY, to attend a clam and fish-chowder festival across the Bay of San Francisco. A record of the proceedings upon that occasion will be found at the end of this journal.

<i>California</i> ,.....No.	1,....	MORRIS MARCH ESTEE, Past Master.
<i>Benicia</i> ,.....No.	5,....	GEORGE POOR, Master and Past Master.
<i>Tuolumne</i> ,.....No.	8,....	JAMES BELL, Senior Warden and Past Master.
<i>Yount</i> ,.....No.	12,..	NELSON MARBLE, Senior Warden.
<i>Mount Moriah</i> ,... No.	44,....	PETER WILKINS RANDLE, Past Master.
<i>Crescent</i> ,.....No.	45,.	{ EDGAR MASON, Master; WILLIAM HARRISON WOODBURY, Past Master.
<i>Suisun</i> ,.....No.	55,....	EBEN DORMAN PERKINS, Master and Past Master.
<i>Humboldt</i> ,.....No.	79,..	{ CHARLES FREDERICK ROBERTS, Master; JOHN ANDREW WATSON, Past Master.
<i>Naval</i> ,.....No.	87,....	GEORGE WILLIAM SIMONTON, Junior Warden.
<i>Acacia</i> ,.....No.	92,....	ROBERT CHALMERS, Past Master.
<i>Oroville</i> ,.....No.	103,....	RALZEMOND PARKER, Senior Warden.
<i>Arcata</i> ,.....No.	106,..	{ BYRON DEMING, Master and Past Master; JOHN SMITH THOMSON, Sen. Warden and P. Master.
<i>Pajaro</i> ,.....No.	110,....	THOMAS BECK, Past Master.
<i>Concor</i> l,.....No.	117,....	WILLIAM McLAUGHLIN, Past Master.
<i>Fidelity</i> ,.....No.	120,..	{ ISAAC STRASSBERGER, Senior Warden; WILLIAM HENRY CULVER, Past Master.
<i>Woodbridge</i> ,.....No.	131,....	BENJAMIN FRANKLIN LANGFORD, Past Master.
<i>Pacific</i> ,.....No.	133, ..	THOMAS ANDERSON, Past Master.
<i>Franklin</i> ,.....No.	143,....	HANS BERNHARD WM. JAGAU, Past Master.
<i>Eel River</i> ,.....No.	147,....	SETH HOPKINS CRABTREE, Master.
<i>Mission</i> ,.....No.	169,....	JEROME SPAULDING, Past Master.
<i>Elk Grove</i> ,.....No.	173,....	RICHARD ALLIN, Past Master.
<i>Arcturus</i> ,.....No.	180,....	MARCUS DYATHEKA GOSHEN, Master.
<i>Oakland</i> ,.....No.	188,..	{ JESSE WALTON, Master. JOSEPH FRANCIS O'BEIRNE, Junior Warden.
<i>Solano</i> ,.....No.	229,....	FRANK DOUGLASS MEAD, Senior Warden.
<i>Eucalyptus</i> ,... No.	243,....	CHARLES PROWSE, Representative.

The R. W. THOMAS BECK, Past Senior Grand Warden, and the R. W. PETER WILKINS RANDLE, Past Junior Grand Warden, appeared and took their seats.

BRO. THOMAS H. CASWELL, from the special committee to whom had been referred the Address of the Grand Master, presented the following report:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom was referred the annual message of the M. W. G and Master, report that they have read that excellent paper with more than ordinary satisfaction, and desire to express their appreciation of the Masonic ability displayed, and the strict observance of the laws of our Order manifested, in the discharge of the many and arduous duties pertaining to his high office. The welfare of our Grand Lodge, and its honor and dignity are peculiarly in the keeping of him whom we annually elect as our presiding officer. Our harmony as Masons, our growth, our usefulness, our rank and dignity throughout the Masonic world, especially depend upon his wisdom, impartiality, and integrity. How gratifying, then, is the reflection that our

interests have been intrusted to one so zealous, so faithful, and so true, that his every act is stamped with a devotion unmistakable, a purity of intention unquestionable, and a kindly, fraternal courtesy which all may well strive to emulate.

A careful study of the message is earnestly commended to all; but as very few of the Fraternity, even if so inclined, have an opportunity of reading our proceedings, your committee would urge upon every Master the propriety of having this paper, at least, read in his Lodge as soon as received, that the important rulings, suggestions, and information contained therein may become as widely disseminated as possible. Too little attention is paid by the Fraternity at large to the doings of the Grand Lodge. A portion of its transactions should therefore be read at every meeting, until full knowledge of them is obtained. The result would soon be apparent, as suggested by the Grand Master, in a material diminution of the correspondence of that officer.

Your committee regret that the brief time allotted them in which to prepare their report prevents a reference to each official act and matter of interest, and the making of a specific recommendation thereon. They must, therefore, content themselves with a general recommendation, as follows:

All authorizations for special meetings of the Grand Lodge, the appointment of special Deputies to constitute new Lodges, the appointment of Representatives of this Grand Lodge near other Grand Lodges, and his action in vindication of our jurisdictional rights, are recommended for approval.

His answers, comments, and conclusions touching business transactions and relations, the too frequent practice of pledging the "word of a Mason" and giving of signs and grips promiscuously, regardless of surroundings, the too common and reprehensible use of profanity among Masons, who of all men should most abhor it, being in direct violation of their every teaching, duty, and obligation, are all cordially indorsed by your committee and recommended for approval.

His refusal to permit the soliciting of subscriptions from abroad to relieve a Lodge from pecuniary embarrassment, his decision prohibiting the expunging or the altering of a Lodge record previously made and approved, and his suggestions as to the proper course to be pursued in such a case, are in accordance with correct usage and law, and should be approved.

The thanks of the Grand Lodge are due to the Grand Master for the time and labor bestowed by him in his frequent visitations to the subordinates of our obedience. The encouragement thus given, and the interest in their welfare so manifested, is fraught with the happiest results—illustrated fully by an incident occurring at one of these visitations, at which one of your committee was present. At the conclusion of the remarks of the Grand Master, a true man and Mason approached him, and, with deep feeling, said: "I thank you for your words; they have taught me to be a better man and a better Mason." This was but an individual instance. Who can estimate the many silent resolves, or the amount of good accomplished, by these Grand visitations? The continuance of them is earnestly recommended.

Your committee, in the further discharge of the duty assigned them, would respectfully recommend the following references:

That so much of the address as relates to the duties of the Grand Lecturer and the Grand Master's interpretation of the law relating thereto, be referred to a special committee:

That so much as relates to the publishing of a digest of our Masonic law, the communication from the Grand Master of Peru, the creation of a "Widows' and Orphans' Fund," and all matters pertaining to the finances of the Grand Lodge, be referred to the Committee on Finances:

That so much as relates to the issuing of dispensations to form new Lodges, be referred to the Committee on Charters:

That so much as relates to the proposed amendment to the uniform code of by-laws, to the by-laws of Lodges, and to the proposed amendments thereto, be referred to the Committee on By-Laws :

That so much as relates to the *status* of *George Washington* Lodge, No. 62, to the condition of *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, to the proposed recognition of the Grand Lodges of Colon and of the Island of Cuba, to the granting of special dispensations for sundry purposes, to the subject of public installations, to the question of precedence at Masonic funerals, and to all decisions of the Grand Master upon matters of law and usage, as contained in his message, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

The appointment of Bro. MOSES HELLER as Grand Treasurer, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the V. W. JAMES LAIDLEY, and the convening of the Grand Lodge to pay suitable honors to the memory of that excellent brother and officer, are recommended for approval.

Your committee feel that they can add nothing, either in appropriateness of language or sentiment, to the well deserved and feeling tribute of the Grand Master to the memory and worth of the illustrious dead of Virginia and Missouri. They would, therefore, adopt the words of the Grand Master as their own and recommend a concurrence therein, with the offer of our fraternal sympathy to those jurisdictions for their irreparable loss.

All which is respectfully submitted by

THOMAS H. CASWELL,	} Committee.
GEORGE H. GILBERT,	
JOHN C. KING,	
ISAAC S. HALSEY,	
GREEN G. DUDLEY,	

Which report was concurred in and the references therein recommended were ordered.

BRO. ORRIN W. HOLLENBECK, from the special committee to whom had been referred the report of the Grand Lecturer, presented the following report :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California : —

Your committee, to whom was referred the report of the Grand Lecturer, have had the same under consideration and report that the document gives evidence of continued zeal and untiring effort on the part of the Grand Lecturer in perfecting a uniformity of the work in this jurisdiction.

Your committee concur in the suggestion of that officer that, in consideration of the wide dissemination of the work and its general uniformity, the duties of the Grand Lecturer will be much less in the future, for a time at least, and that the salary of the office should be abolished. They therefore recommend a concurrence in his suggestion, but further recommend that the necessary expenses attending official visits, made in the performance of duties devolving upon that officer, shall be paid by the Grand Lodge.

All which is respectfully submitted by

ORRIN W. HOLLENBECK,	} Committee.
EDWARD R. HEDGES,	
BENJAMIN F. TUTTLE,	
GEORGE BURNHAM,	
IANTHIS J. ROLFE,	

Which report was concurred in and the recommendation therein contained was approved.

The Grand Secretary presented a petition for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry from MICHAEL BOROWSKY, who was expelled by *Truckee* Lodge, No. 200, on the twenty-fourth day of January, 1871; accompanied by the proper papers from that Lodge and the recommendation of sundry brethren:

He also presented a paper signed by sundry respectable residents of Denver, Colorado, certifying to the good character of CHARLES BAER, who was expelled by *Ionic* Lodge, No. 121, on the seventh day of December, 1870, and whose petition for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry was last year recommended by said Lodge, but was not acted upon in consequence of the lack of any "evidence of the residence or present standing of the party:"

Both which papers, with all previous ones relative to those cases, were referred to the Committee on Grievances.

BRO. CHARLES G. EWING offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence:—

Resolved, That the Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Address in 1875, relative to the use of Masonic signs or titles by individuals or corporations in their business relations, (see page 43, proceedings of 1875,) be requested to report thereon.

BRO. WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Grievances, presented the following reports:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom was referred the case of THOMPSON G. SAULSBURY, who was suspended by *Natoma* Lodge, No. 64, on the twentieth day of September, 1877, have carefully examined the record of the trial and the accompanying documents. That the accused was guilty as charged is certain, as he acknowledges it himself; and it is the opinion of your committee that, in pleading guilty to the charge, he only aggravated his fault by endeavoring to smirch the character of his victim. Having been found guilty of one of the grossest crimes known to our law, we cannot understand how the commissioners could have been satisfied with the punishment of suspension only. If *they* were satisfied, *we* are not, and we therefore advise the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the action of *Natoma* Lodge, No. 64, in suspending THOMPSON G. SAULSBURY, be reversed and set aside, and that the said accused be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

Your committee, to whom was referred the record of the trial of HENRY CLAY HUNT, who was expelled by *Athens* Lodge, No. 228, on the twenty-fourth day of February, 1877, report as follows:—

The brother was charged with gross unmasonic conduct in that he "did desert his family and leave the country, a defaulter to his creditors." The trial took place in the absence of the accused; and he was found guilty and expelled. The proceedings, as a whole, are regular, and there is no appeal, which is not strange, as it is more than probable that the brother never was aware that charges had been brought against him. Your committee might, perhaps, be willing to let the case rest as it stands, were it not that the record shows conclusively that not one particle of evidence was brought before the commission to justify the verdict. It is true that several

brethren stated that they had "heard" from other sources that the accused had behaved badly in various ways; but, of their *own knowledge*, they testified to nothing against him. Now this Grand Lodge has long since decided that a brother "can only be suspended or expelled upon sufficient charges sustained by sufficient evidence," and it is very certain that mere hearsay is not sufficient evidence upon which to found a conviction, either in civil or Masonic law. Your committee are therefore of the opinion that the Lodge acted erroneously in expelling the brother, and they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the action of *Athens* Lodge, No. 228, in expelling Bro. HENRY CLAY HUNT from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, be and the same is hereby reversed and set aside, and that the case be remanded to that Lodge for further action.

In relation to the petition of MARTIN V. B. CLEVELAND for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry, he having been expelled by *Abell* Lodge, No. 146, on the twenty-ninth day of November, 1873, and to the protest of the said Lodge against the prayer of the petitioner, your committee beg leave to report that the transcript of the trial had in the case shows that the petitioner was punished for good and sufficient cause; and that, under such circumstances, the protest of the Lodge against his restoration should be conclusive evidence that his request should not be granted. They therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That the petition of MARTIN V. B. CLEVELAND for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry be and is hereby denied.

Your committee, to whom was referred the letter of Mrs. HELEN F. PHELPS, complaining of the action of certain members of *Woodbridge* Lodge, No. 131, have had the same under consideration and report that, in their opinion, the matters therein stated are not of sufficient importance to warrant any interference on the part of this Grand Lodge.

Your committee, to whom was referred the appeal of WOODMAN W. ROYAL against the action of *Santa Rosa* Lodge, No. 57, in expelling him from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, on the fourth day of June, 1877, have had the subject under consideration and report that they have carefully examined the very voluminous and disgusting testimony in the case; and, while they can attach but little credence to the evidence of the principal witness, who constantly contradicts herself and who tells a most improbable story, still they are of the opinion that a sufficient Masonic offense has been proven against the accused to warrant the finding of the commissioners. They therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That the action of *Santa Rosa* Lodge, No. 57, in expelling WOODMAN W. ROYAL from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, be and the same is hereby affirmed.

Your committee have had under consideration the petition for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry of FRANCIS M. JOLLY, who was expelled by *Salinas* Lodge, No. 204, on the twentieth day of February, 1875, together with a communication from the said Lodge, stating that at a stated meeting specially convened for that purpose, at which every member was summoned to be present, a resolution was unanimously passed recommending the restoration of the petitioner; and they are of the opinion that the prayer of the petitioner should be granted. They therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That FRANCIS M. JOLLY be and is hereby restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS,	} Committee.
SAMUEL G. HILBORN,	
LEWIS F. JONES,	
WILLIAM H. CRANE,	

All which reports were concurred in and the several resolutions accompanying them were adopted.

BRO. MICHAEL J. KEATING, from the special committee to whom was referred a memorial from the Masonic Board of Relief of the City of San Francisco, presented the following report:—

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of California:—

The undersigned, your committee to whom was referred the petition and resolutions of the Masonic Board of Relief of San Francisco, respectfully present the following report, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That the sum of one dollar is hereby levied annually upon each and every Master Mason in this jurisdiction, which amount shall be set apart as a Charity Fund. The money so raised shall be collected by the Secretaries of the several Lodges, and transmitted to the Grand Secretary at the same time as other Grand Lodge dues.

Resolved, That in any place where two or more Lodges have concurrent jurisdiction, the Masters of such Lodges may form a Board of Relief, with articles of agreement to be approved by the Grand Master. The moneys raised by the first of these resolutions shall be annually distributed, *pro rata*, among the Masonic Boards of Relief of this State, and to the Lodges (where no Board of Relief exists) which have dispensed charity to brother Masons, members of Lodges other than their own.

Resolved, That each Board of Relief shall, on the fifteenth day of September of each year, transmit to the Grand Lodge a plain and comprehensive report of their operations during the preceding year.

Resolved, That the money raised, as provided by the first of this series of resolutions, shall only be expended for the relief of Master Masons in *good standing*, hailing from other jurisdictions, their widows and orphans; but that the several Boards of Relief which may be organized under these regulations shall have power to relieve the temporary necessities of Master Masons of this jurisdiction, their widows and orphans—the amount so expended to be refunded to the said Board of Relief by the Lodge of which the brother relieved may be a member; but, should the said Lodge be utterly unable to refund the amount, then, on a satisfactory representation of the fact, this Grand Lodge will assume and pay the amount, in its stead, out of the fund raised by these resolutions, provided that the amount shall not exceed fifty dollars.

Resolved, That any surplus, remaining in the hands of the Committee on Charity on the first day of November of each year, shall by it be safely invested, with a view to eventually procure a “home for disabled, indigent Masons,” their widows and orphans.

All which is respectfully submitted by

MICHAEL J. KEATING, JONATHAN D. HINES, THEODORE G. COCKRILL, SAMUEL W. BACKUS,	} Committee.
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After some discussion, the consideration of the foregoing report, and of the matter to which it relates, was indefinitely postponed.

The Grand Master appointed the following named brethren to constitute the special committee upon that portion of his Address—

<i>Relative to the duties of the Grand Lecturer:</i>	{	Bro. Orrin Whitcomb Hollenbeck,
		“ John Chany Partridge,
		“ Samuel Watson Boring,
		“ Francis Edward Warren,
		“ Ianthis Jerome Rolfe.

BRO. WILLIAM S. WELLS offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That each subordinate Lodge, not included among those connected with the several Boards of Relief, be instructed, in their returns for the coming year, to present a detailed statement of the amounts disbursed and liabilities incurred by them for relief during the year.

Which resolution, after some discussion, was indefinitely postponed.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Lodge.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Thursday, October 11th, A. L. 5877. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at two o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

BRO. THEODORE G. COCKRILL, from the Committee on Charters, presented the following report :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Address relating to dispensations granted to form new Lodges, report that they approve of the Grand Master's action and concur with his views therein expressed. They also report as follows in regard to the record-books and petitions for charters of the Lodges existing under dispensation :—

The records of *Alcatraz* Lodge have been remarkably well kept, and too much praise cannot be awarded to the Master and Secretary for the able manner in which they have prepared their books and papers. The proposed Master and Wardens have the required certificates of qualification, and the Lodge is clear of indebtedness.

The records of *Laurel* Lodge have been well kept, the proposed Master and Wardens have the required certificates of qualification, and the Lodge is clear of debt.

The records of *Pomona* Lodge are well prepared, the Master and Wardens proposed have the required certificates of qualification, and the assets of the Lodge appear to be greater than its indebtedness.

In regard to *Fresno* Lodge, we find that the books and papers have not all arrived, and we recommend that it be allowed to continue under dispensation until the next Communication of the Grand Lodge. The Master has been before your committee and assures them that he will have all the books and papers of the Lodge present at that time.

Your committee therefore offer the following resolutions and recommend that they be adopted :—

Resolved, That charters be granted to *Alcatraz* Lodge, at West Oakland, Alameda County; to *Laurel* Lodge, at Willows, Colusa County; and to *Pomona* Lodge, at Pomona, Los Angeles County; and that the said Lodges be numbered in the order of the dates of their several dispensations.

Resolved, That the dispensation to *Fresno* Lodge, at Fresno, Fresno County, be continued until the thirtieth day of September, 1878.

All which is respectfully submitted by

THEODORE G. COCKRILL, ALEXANDER G. OLIVER, JAMES ADAMS. ALBERT J. LOWRY, THOMAS M. BITTENCOURT,	}	Committee.
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BRO. ISAAC UPHAM, from the Committee on Returns, presented the following report:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom was referred the examination of the returns of the Lodges for the current year, have, with the assistance of the Grand Secretary, performed that duty, and take pleasure in reporting that the returns of all the Lodges except one have been received by that officer—the exception being *Mau*i, No. 223, at Wailuku, Hawaiian Islands; that a large majority of them were prepared correctly; that those which were in the first instance erroneous, have since been corrected by the Secretaries, upon notification thereof by the Grand Secretary; that the dues, in most instances, have accompanied the reports; and that all the dues have now been paid, except those of *Mau*i, No. 223. The classification which follows will show the respective credits due to the several Lodges:—

The reports of the following named Lodges were transmitted within the period of time prescribed in the Constitution, were accompanied by the dues, were in all respects correct, and were *handsomely* prepared:—

<i>Western Star</i> ,	No. 2,	<i>Henry Clay</i> ,	No. 95,	<i>Keith</i> ,	No. 187,
<i>Corinthian</i> ,	" 9,	<i>Jefferson</i> ,	" 97,	<i>Oakland</i> ,	" 188,
<i>San Jose</i> ,	" 10,	<i>Oroville</i> ,	" 103,	<i>Latrobe</i> ,	" 189,
<i>Mountain Shade</i> ,	" 18,	<i>Owen</i> ,	" 108,	<i>Santa Barbara</i> ,	" 192,
<i>Occidental</i> ,	" 22,	<i>Dibble</i> ,	" 109,	<i>Hartley</i> ,	" 199,
<i>Mariposa</i> ,	" 24,	<i>Pajaro</i> ,	" 110,	<i>Truckee</i> ,	" 200,
<i>Golden Gate</i> ,	" 30,	<i>Chico</i> ,	" 111,	<i>Pentalpha</i> ,	" 202,
<i>Saint John's</i> ,	" 37,	<i>Eden</i> ,	" 113,	<i>Salinas</i> ,	" 204,
<i>Mount Moriah</i> ,	" 44,	<i>Fidelity</i> ,	" 120,	<i>Anaheim</i> ,	" 207,
<i>Texas</i> ,	" 46,	<i>Hermann</i> ,	" 127,	<i>Friendship</i> ,	" 210,
<i>Volcano</i> ,	" 56,	<i>Visalia</i> ,	" 128,	<i>San Buenaventura</i> ,	" 214,
<i>Union</i> ,	" 58,	<i>Woodbridge</i> ,	" 131,	<i>Oak Grove</i> ,	" 215,
<i>Amador</i> ,	" 65,	<i>Pacific</i> ,	" 136,	<i>Monterey</i> ,	" 217,
<i>Nebraska</i> ,	" 71,	<i>Grafton</i> ,	" 141,	<i>Speranza Italiana</i> ,	" 219,
<i>Petaluma</i> ,	" 77,	<i>Oriental</i> ,	" 144,	<i>Hayward</i> ,	" 226,
<i>Humboldt</i> ,	" 79,	<i>Palmyra</i> ,	" 151,	<i>Athens</i> ,	" 228,
<i>Ione</i> ,	" 80,	<i>Pilot Hill</i> ,	" 160,	<i>Guadalupe</i> ,	" 237,
<i>Saint Louis</i> ,	" 86,	<i>Harmony</i> ,	" 164,	<i>Magnolia</i> ,	" 242,
<i>Naval</i> ,	" 87,	<i>Excelsior</i> ,	" 166,	<i>Alcatraz</i> ,	U. D.
<i>Quitman</i> ,	" 88,	<i>Alameda</i> ,	" 167,		

Those of the following named Lodges were transmitted within the proper time, were accompanied by the dues, (with the exception of *Hawaiian*, No. 21, which pays no dues), were in all respects correct, and were *well* prepared:—

<i>Yount</i> ,	No. 12,	<i>Furberstown</i> ,	No. 50,	<i>Summit</i> ,	No. 112,
<i>Temple</i> ,	" 14,	<i>Illinoistown</i> ,	" 51,	<i>Concord</i> ,	" 117,
<i>Eureka</i> ,	" 16,	<i>Suisun</i> ,	" 55,	<i>Sotoyome</i> ,	" 123,
<i>San Joaquin</i> ,	" 19,	<i>Santa Rosa</i> ,	" 57,	<i>La Fayette</i> ,	" 126,
<i>Washington</i> ,	" 20,	<i>Gravel Range</i> ,	" 59,	<i>Yosemite</i> ,	" 133,
<i>Hawaiian</i> ,	" 21,	<i>Forest</i> ,	" 66,	<i>Colusa</i> ,	" 142,
<i>Madison</i> ,	" 23,	<i>Calaveras</i> ,	" 78,	<i>Vitruvius</i> ,	" 145,
<i>El Dorado</i> ,	" 26,	<i>Yolo</i> ,	" 81,	<i>Eel River</i> ,	" 147,
<i>Columbia</i> ,	" 28,	<i>Rising Star</i> ,	" 83,	<i>Lassen</i> ,	" 149,
<i>Ophir</i> ,	" 33,	<i>Saint Mark's</i> ,	" 85,	<i>Molino</i> ,	" 150,
<i>San Diego</i> ,	" 35,	<i>North Star</i> ,	" 91,	<i>Gibsonville</i> ,	" 158,
<i>Santa Cruz</i> ,	" 38,	<i>Saint Helena</i> ,	" 93,	<i>Keystone</i> ,	" 161,
<i>Yuba</i> ,	" 39,	<i>Hornitos</i> ,	" 98,	<i>Mission</i> ,	" 169,
<i>Los Angeles</i> ,	" 42,	<i>Manzanita</i> ,	" 102,	<i>Elk Grove</i> ,	" 173,
<i>Hiram</i> ,	" 43,	<i>Arcata</i> ,	" 106,	<i>Drytown</i> ,	" 174,
<i>Crescent</i> ,	" 45,				

<i>Antioch,</i>	No. 175,	<i>Buckeye,</i>	No. 195,	<i>Inyo,</i>	No. 221,
<i>Aztlán,</i>	" 177,	<i>San Simeon,</i>	" 196,	<i>Solano,</i>	" 229,
<i>Arcturus,</i>	" 180,	<i>Silkeyville,</i>	" 201,	<i>Calistoga,</i>	" 233,
<i>Russian River,</i>	" 181,	<i>Newville,</i>	" 205,	<i>Tyre,</i>	" 238,
<i>Clear Lake,</i>	" 183,	<i>Stanislaus,</i>	" 206,	<i>Pescadero,</i>	" 239,
<i>Sierra Valley,</i>	" 184,	<i>San Benito,</i>	" 211,	<i>Equality,</i>	" 240,
<i>Evening Star,</i>	" 186,	<i>So. San Francisco,</i>	" 212,	<i>Laurel,</i>	U. D.
<i>Northern Light,</i>	" 190,	<i>Downey,</i>	" 220,	<i>Pomona,</i>	U. D.
<i>Marin,</i>	" 191,				

Those of the following-named Lodges were transmitted within the proper time, were accompanied by the dues, were in all respects correct, and were *fairly* prepared:—

<i>Geo. Washington,</i>	No. 62,	<i>Violet,</i>	No. 138,	<i>Rio Vista,</i>	No. 208,
<i>Vesper,</i>	" 84,	<i>Confidence,</i>	" 203,	<i>North Butte,</i>	" 230.
<i>Campo Seco,</i>	" 100,				

Those of the following-named Lodges were transmitted within the proper time and were accompanied by the dues, but each required a few corrections, which were made by the Secretaries, upon being notified thereof by the Grand Secretary:—

<i>Tehama,</i>	No. 3,	<i>Table Mountain,</i>	No. 124,	<i>Meridian,</i>	No. 182,
<i>Nevada,</i>	" 13,	<i>Nicolaus,</i>	" 129,	<i>Granite,</i>	" 222,
<i>Parfaite Union,</i>	" 17,	<i>Sincerity,</i>	" 132,	<i>Contra Costa,</i>	" 227,
<i>Trinity,</i>	" 27,	<i>Vacaville,</i>	" 134,	<i>Covelo,</i>	" 231,
<i>Morning Star,</i>	" 68,	<i>Valley,</i>	" 135,	<i>Hope,</i>	" 234,
<i>Enterprise,</i>	" 70,	<i>San Mateo,</i>	" 168,	<i>Surprise Valley,</i>	" 235,
<i>La Grange,</i>	" 99,	<i>Mendocino,</i>	" 179,	<i>Hill's Ferry,</i>	" 236.
<i>Mount Zion,</i>	" 114,				

Those of the following-named Lodges were correct and were accompanied by the dues, or the greater part thereof, (all have since been paid,) but were not transmitted within the proper time:—

<i>California,</i>	No. 1,	<i>Plumas,</i>	No. 60,	<i>Merced,</i>	No. 176,
<i>Benicia,</i>	" 5,	<i>Live Oak,</i>	" 61,	<i>Claiborne,</i>	" 185,
<i>Tuolumne,</i>	" 8,	<i>Rose's Bar,</i>	" 89,	<i>Bakersfield,</i>	" 224,
<i>Santa Clara,</i>	" 34,	<i>Clay,</i>	" 101,	<i>Brooklyn,</i>	" 225,
<i>Sacramento,</i>	" 40,	<i>Ionic,</i>	" 121,	<i>Janesville,</i>	" 232,
<i>Martinez,</i>	" 41,	<i>Franklin,</i>	" 143,	<i>Eucalyptus,</i>	" 243.
<i>Michigan City,</i>	" 47,				

Those of the following named Lodges were accompanied by the dues, but were not transmitted within the proper time, and all required corrections, which have since been made:—

<i>Gold Hill,</i>	No. 32,	<i>Clinton,</i>	No. 119,	<i>Phoenix,</i>	No. 178,
<i>Natoma,</i>	" 64,	<i>Curtis,</i>	" 140,	<i>Ferndale,</i>	" 193,
<i>Acacia,</i>	" 92,	<i>Woodland,</i>	" 156,	<i>Bodega,</i>	" 213.
<i>Howard,</i>	" 96,				

Those of the following named Lodges were transmitted within the proper time and were correct, but were not then accompanied by the dues, although they have since been paid:—

<i>Georgetown,</i>	No. 25,	<i>Crockett,</i>	No. 139,	<i>Doric,</i>	No. 216,
<i>Mokelumne,</i>	" 31,	<i>Mountain View,</i>	" 194,	<i>Santa Ana,</i>	" 241.
<i>Lexington,</i>	" 104,	<i>Wilmington,</i>	" 198,		

Those of the following named Lodges were not transmitted within the proper time, were not accompanied by the dues, (though they have since been paid,) and all required corrections, which have since been made:—

<i>Bear Mountain,</i>	No. 76,	<i>Abell,</i>	No. 146,	<i>Pleasanton,</i>	No. 218,
<i>Alamo,</i>	" 122,	<i>King David's,</i>	" 209,		

The amounts of the dues for which the several Lodges of the jurisdiction were indebted are as follows:—

Name and No.	Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total.
California,	1, \$407	\$92 00	\$499 00
Western Star,	2, 61	15 25	76 25
Tehama,	3, 115	27 00	142 00
Benicia,	5, 52	12 00	64 00
Tuolumne,	8, 89	22 25	111 25
Corinthian,	9, 115	28 75	143 75
San Jose,	10, 182	43 50	225 50
Yount,	12, 81	19 75	100 75
Nevada,	13, 139	29 75	168 75
Temple,	14, 37	8 50	45 50
Eureka,	16, 65	12 25	77 25
Parfaite Union,	17, 128	27 25	155 25
MountainShade,	18, 54	12 00	66 00
San Joaquin,	19, 65	16 25	81 25
Washington,	20, 72	17 25	89 25
Hawaiian,	21, —	—	—
Occidental,	22, 277	63 25	340 25
Madison,	23, 153	35 75	188 75
Mariposa,	24, 49	9 25	58 25
Georgetown,	25, 48	12 00	60 00
El Dorado,	26, 68	15 75	83 75
Trinity,	27, 73	17 25	90 25
Columbia,	28, 44	11 00	55 00
Golden Gate,	30, 220	48 25	268 25
Mokelumne,	31, 26	5 50	31 50
Gold Hill,	32, 35	8 00	43 00
Ophir,	33, 46	7 25	53 25
Santa Clara,	34, 58	13 75	71 75
San Diego,	35, 86	18 00	104 00
Saint John's,	37, 49	12 00	61 00
Santa Cruz,	38, 120	24 75	144 75
Yuba,	39, 93	21 00	119 00
Sacramento,	40, 131	29 00	160 00
Martinez,	41, 55	12 50	67 50
Los Angeles,	42, 108	26 25	134 25
Hiram,	43, 44	10 75	54 75
Mount Moriah,	44, 284	59 75	343 75
Crescent,	45, 46	9 50	55 50
Texas,	46, 42	9 00	51 00
Michigan City,	47, 41	9 50	50 50
Forbestown,	50, 64	13 75	77 75
Illinoistown,	51, 47	9 50	56 50
Suisun,	55, 86	19 25	105 25
Volcano,	56, 39	9 25	48 25
Santa Rosa,	57, 126	28 75	154 75
Union,	58, 159	35 75	194 75
Gravel Range,	59, 60	13 50	73 50
Plumas,	60, 70	12 25	82 25
Live Oak,	61, 132	31 00	163 00
Geo. Washing'n,	62, 27	5 75	32 75
Natoma,	64, 65	12 50	77 50
Amador,	65, 48	11 75	59 75
Forest,	66, 57	12 75	69 75

Name and No.	Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total.
Morning Star,	68, \$154	\$36 25	\$190 25
Enterprise,	70, 55	13 75	68 75
Nebraska,	71, 28	6 00	34 00
Bear Mountain,	76, 29	6 50	35 50
Petaluma,	77, 82	18 25	100 25
Calaveras,	78, 34	7 75	41 75
Humboldt,	79, 77	18 50	95 50
Ione,	80, 56	13 25	69 25
Yolo,	81, 37	9 00	46 00
Rising Star,	83, 47	11 50	58 50
Vesper,	84, 82	20 25	102 25
Saint Mark's,	85, 36	8 25	44 25
Saint Louis,	86, 51	12 75	63 75
Naval,	87, 110	26 75	136 75
Quitman,	88, 42	9 75	51 75
Rose's Bar,	89, 35	8 25	44 25
North Star,	91, 46	10 00	56 00
Acacia,	92, 44	8 25	52 25
Saint Helena,	93, 51	11 75	62 75
Henry Clay,	95, 50	11 75	61 75
Howard,	96, 46	11 50	57 50
Jefferson,	97, 24	5 75	29 75
Hornitos,	98, 33	7 00	40 00
La Grange,	99, 54	12 00	66 00
Campo Seco,	100, 34	5 75	39 75
Clay,	101, 56	12 75	68 75
Manzanita,	102, 70	16 50	86 50
Oroville,	103, 73	18 25	91 25
Lexington,	104, 58	13 50	71 50
Arcata,	106, 37	8 25	45 25
Owen,	108, 23	5 75	28 75
Dibble,	109, 27	6 00	33 00
Pajaro,	110, 129	28 00	157 00
Chico,	111, 97	24 00	121 00
Summit,	112, 46	11 00	57 00
Eden,	113, 50	11 75	61 75
Mount Zion,	114, 12	3 00	15 00
Concord,	117, 61	14 50	75 50
Clinton,	119, 26	5 50	31 50
Fidelity,	120, 196	42 50	238 50
Ionic,	121, 39	9 00	48 00
Alamo,	122, 36	7 25	43 25
Sotoyome,	123, 79	18 50	97 50
Table Mountain,	124, 67	13 50	80 50
La Fayette,	126, 58	13 75	71 75
Hermann,	127, 121	26 25	147 25
Visalia,	128, 115	26 25	141 25
Nicolaus,	129, 54	12 25	66 25
Woodbridge,	131, 71	15 25	86 25
Sincerity,	132, 56	10 75	66 75
Yosemite,	133, 23	5 25	28 25
Vacaville,	134, 58	10 00	68 00
Valley,	135, 47	10 75	57 75

Name and No.	Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total.	Name and No.	Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total
<i>Pacific</i> , 136,	\$308	\$65 25	\$373 25	<i>Truckee</i> , 200,	\$98	\$17 25	\$15 25
<i>Violet</i> , 138,	20	4 25	24 25	<i>Silveyville</i> , 201,	78	15 75	93 75
<i>Crockett</i> , 139,	96	21 00	117 00	<i>Pentalpha</i> , 202,	100	22 50	122 50
<i>Curtis</i> , 140,	36	8 50	44 50	<i>Confidence</i> , 203,	18	4 00	22 00
<i>Grafton</i> , 141,	32	7 25	39 25	<i>Salinas</i> , 204,	66	15 00	81 00
<i>Colusa</i> , 142,	62	13 00	75 00	<i>Newville</i> , 205,	39	8 00	47 00
<i>Franklin</i> , 143,	34	6 75	40 75	<i>Stanislaus</i> , 206,	68	16 00	84 00
<i>Oriental</i> , 144,	215	49 50	264 50	<i>Anaheim</i> , 207,	49	10 50	59 50
<i>Vitruvius</i> , 145,	58	10 00	68 00	<i>Rio Vista</i> , 208,	55	9 75	64 75
<i>Abell</i> , 146,	82	15 75	97 75	<i>King David's</i> , 209,	62	14 25	76 25
<i>Eel River</i> , 147,	48	11 00	59 00	<i>Friendship</i> , 210,	87	17 75	104 75
<i>Lassen</i> , 149,	86	18 00	104 00	<i>San Benito</i> , 211,	82	18 25	100 25
<i>Molino</i> , 150,	45	10 00	55 00	<i>So. San Franc.</i> 212,	49	10 75	59 75
<i>Palmyra</i> , 151,	80	16 25	96 25	<i>Bodega</i> , 213,	30	5 50	35 50
<i>Woodland</i> , 156,	85	20 50	105 50	<i>S. Buenav'ta</i> , 214,	78	17 50	95 50
<i>Gibsonville</i> , 158,	53	11 25	64 25	<i>Oak Grove</i> , 215,	38	8 50	46 50
<i>Pilot Hill</i> , 160,	25	6 25	31 25	<i>Doric</i> , 216,	113	21 25	134 25
<i>Keystone</i> , 161,	23	5 00	28 00	<i>Monterey</i> , 217,	37	8 75	45 75
<i>Harmony</i> , 164,	34	6 50	40 50	<i>Pleasanton</i> , 218,	47	10 25	57 25
<i>Excelsior</i> , 166,	163	35 50	198 50	<i>Speranza It'la</i> , 219,	69	16 50	85 50
<i>Alameda</i> , 167,	57	13 25	70 25	<i>Downey</i> , 220,	64	14 75	78 75
<i>San Mateo</i> , 168,	68	13 50	81 50	<i>Inyo</i> , 221,	26	6 50	32 50
<i>Mission</i> , 169,	209	43 25	252 25	<i>Granite</i> , 222,	52	8 00	60 00
<i>Elk Grove</i> , 173,	42	8 75	50 75	<i>* Maui</i> , 223,	—	—	—
<i>Drytown</i> , 174,	30	7 25	37 25	<i>Bakersfield</i> , 224,	35	7 75	42 75
<i>Antioch</i> , 175,	47	11 75	58 75	<i>Brooklyn</i> , 225,	41	8 75	49 75
<i>Merced</i> , 176,	34	8 25	42 25	<i>Hayward</i> , 226,	29	6 50	35 50
<i>Azlan</i> , 177,	83	—	83 00	<i>Contra Costa</i> , 227,	39	8 75	47 75
<i>Phoenix</i> , 178,	75	15 75	90 75	<i>Athens</i> , 228,	36	8 25	44 25
<i>Mendocino</i> , 179,	74	14 50	88 50	<i>Solano</i> , 229,	81	17 25	98 25
<i>Arcturus</i> , 180,	78	17 25	95 25	<i>North Butte</i> , 230,	33	7 75	40 75
<i>Russian River</i> , 181,	52	12 50	64 50	<i>Covelo</i> , 231,	47	6 50	53 50
<i>Meridian</i> , 182,	35	6 25	41 25	<i>Janesville</i> , 232,	36	6 50	42 50
<i>Clear Lake</i> , 183,	49	8 75	57 75	<i>Calistoga</i> , 233,	44	9 00	53 00
<i>Sierra Valley</i> , 184,	56	8 75	64 75	<i>Hope</i> , 234,	46	7 75	53 75
<i>Claiborne</i> , 185,	31	6 50	37 50	<i>Surprise Valley</i> , 235,	51	8 50	59 50
<i>Evening Star</i> , 186,	44	10 75	54 75	<i>Hill's Ferry</i> , 236,	26	6 50	32 50
<i>Keith</i> , 187,	63	15 75	78 75	<i>Guadalupe</i> , 237,	75	11 00	86 00
<i>Oakland</i> , 188,	225	48 25	273 25	<i>Tyre</i> , 238,	30	6 75	36 75
<i>Latrobe</i> , 189,	24	6 00	30 00	<i>Pescadero</i> , 239,	26	4 25	30 25
<i>Northern Light</i> , 190,	64	12 25	76 25	<i>Equality</i> , 240,	59	12 00	71 00
<i>Marin</i> , 191,	57	11 50	68 50	<i>Santa Ana</i> , 241,	36	8 00	44 00
<i>Santa Barbara</i> , 192,	52	13 00	65 00	<i>Magnolia</i> , 242,	44	10 25	54 25
<i>Ferndale</i> , 193,	67	14 25	81 25	<i>Eucalyptus</i> , 243,	20	4 75	24 75
<i>Mountain View</i> , 194,	24	6 00	30 00	<i>Alcatraz</i> , U. D.,	77	12 25	89 25
<i>Buckeye</i> , 195,	69	13 75	82 75	<i>Laurel</i> , U. D.,	45	5 75	50 75
<i>San Simeon</i> , 196,	34	7 75	41 75	<i>Pomona</i> , U. D.,	24	4 50	28 50
<i>Wilmington</i> , 198,	40	7 50	47 50	<i>† Fresno</i> , U. D.,	—	—	25 00
<i>Hartley</i> , 199,	60	13 25	73 25				

Making the total amounts of dues received,..... \$13,756 \$2,995 50 \$16,777 50

* No returns nor dues have been received from *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, and it is supposed to be moribund, or worse.

† The Grand Secretary has been unable to obtain any return from the Lodge thus marked. The gross amount received is given.

Your committee present the following statement, showing the comparative membership of the Lodges now in existence :—

Of those having two hundred members, or more, there are four, viz. : Nos. 1, 22, 44, and 136.

Of those having one hundred and fifty, and less than two hundred, there are six, viz. : Nos. 10, 30, 120, 144, 169, and 188.

Of those having one hundred, and less than one hundred and fifty, there are sixteen, viz. : Nos. 3, 9, 13, 17, 23, 40, 42, 57, 53, 61, 63, 87, 110, 127, 128, and 166.

Of those having seventy-five, and less than one hundred, there are eleven, viz. : Nos. 8, 12, 33, 39, 55, 84, 111, 139, 156, 202, and 216.

Of those having fifty, and less than seventy-five, there are fifty-four, viz. : Nos. 2, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 34, 35, 41, 50, 59, 64, 66, 70, 77, 79, 80, 86, 101, 102, 103, 104, 117, 123, 124, 126, 131, 142, 146, 149, 151, 167, 168, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 187, 192, 193, 195, 199, 200, 201, 204, 206, 209, 210, 211, 214, 219, 220, and 229.

Of those having thirty, and less than fifty, there are seventy-three, viz. : Nos. 5, 14, 16, 18, 24, 25, 28, 32, 37, 43, 45, 46, 47, 51, 56, 60, 65, 78, 81, 83, 85, 88, 89, 91, 92, 93, 95, 96, 99, 106, 112, 113, 121, 129, 132, 134, 135, 140, 145, 147, 150, 158, 173, 175, 176, 183, 184, 186, 190, 191, 196, 198, 205, 207, 208, 212, 215, 217, 218, 222, 224, 225, 227, 228, 230, 233, 234, 235, 237, 240, 241, 242, and *Alcatraz*, U. D.

Of those having twenty, and less than thirty, there are thirty-one, viz. : Nos. 31, 33, 62, 71, 76, 97, 98, 100, 108, 109, 119, 122, 133, 141, 143, 160, 161, 164, 174, 182, 185, 189, 194, 213, 221, 226, 231, 232, 236, 238, and *Laurel*, U. D.

Of those having fifteen, and less than twenty, there are seven, viz. : Nos. 138, 203, 223, 239, 243, *Pomona*, U. D., and *Fresno*, U. D.

Of those having less than fifteen, there is one, viz. : No. 114.

All which is respectfully submitted by

ISAAC UPHAM,	} Committee.
BENJAMIN BRUNDAGE,	
GIDEON WING,	
PATRICK MANNING,	
SAMUEL H. GERBISH,	

Which report was concurred in.

Past Grand Master LEONIDAS E. PRATT offered the following as a General Regulation :—

At this and at the future Communications of this Grand Lodge the election of Grand Officers shall be held and conducted in the following manner :—

The Grand Secretary shall cause to be prepared six ballot-boxes labeled with the titles of the six elective Grand Officers to be chosen, and he shall also cause to be prepared a sufficient number of ballots with the titles of the respective Grand Officers printed thereon.

The Grand Master shall appoint twelve tellers to receive and deposit the ballots to be cast, being two tellers for each ballot-box.

The Grand Secretary shall call the roll, and each officer and member of the Grand Lodge shall, when his name or that of his Lodge shall be called, deliver to one of the tellers at each of said ballot-boxes the number of ballots which he is entitled to cast for the office designated on said box.

When all present shall have voted, the tellers shall open each box separately, and shall call the votes found therein ; and the Grand Secretary and Assistant Grand Secretary shall each keep a count and tally thereof.

If there shall be a failure to elect to each and all of the several Grand Offices on the first ballot, the Grand Lodge shall proceed in like manner to vote again for all offices to which there has been such failure to elect.

Which regulation was adopted.

BRO. WILLIAM A. DAVIES, from the Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom had been referred a resolution relative to the use of Masonic signs or titles for business purposes, read a report from that committee upon that subject which was presented to the Grand Lodge in 1873, stating that it was deemed to be a sufficient response to the resolution.

BRO. MORRIS M. ESTEE moved that the committee be instructed to report some absolute resolution upon the subject, and it was so ordered.

The hour named for the special order—the delivery of the Annual Oration—having arrived, it was stated that, the Grand Orator, Bro. AARON A. SARGENT, having been called away to attend to his duties as a Senator of the United States at the extra session of Congress about to be held, the address which he had prepared would be read, at his request, by the Deputy Grand Master, Bro. CHARLES L. WIGGIN; and it was read by that officer, as follows:—

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER

AND BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE:—

Amid the exacting tasks of a laborious public position, it has been difficult for me to find time to discharge the duty imposed upon me by the Grand Lodge, and impossible to prepare an address entirely worthy of that Grand Body and this occasion. The few thoughts which I offer are a partial solution of the problem, interesting to me and to all of us, why Masonry, alone, of all voluntary societies, unaided, as it has ever been, by extrinsic power, and possessing no military or judicial force to execute its will or enlarge its empire, has preserved an efficient organization for ages, and has gradually extended its boundaries until it encircles the earth.

Masonry seems thus far to have been exempt from the decay that is the condition of all material existence, however enduring. The hills, which are types of the everlasting, are perishable after their kind, as is the snowflake. “The glacier streams,” says RUSKIN, “weary the mountain heart as the crimson pulse does ours.” The natural force of the mountain crag is abated in its appointed time, like the strength of the sinews in human old age; and it is but the lapse of the longer years of decay which, in the sight of the Creator, distinguishes the mountain range from the moth and the worm. The shores of time are strewn with wrecked empires and the debris of creeds, associations, and enterprises. As the worn grains of sand continually roll to the ocean bed and leave monotonous levels where once were proud volcanic peaks, so dissolves into the abyss of time the strongest work of men’s hands, whether fortress, temple, or dynasty. By what means, then, has Masonry escaped the operation of these great, depressing laws of change?

In a republic, where all forms of government and habits of society are based on freedom of thought, Masonry has its most fertile soil and luxuriant growth. But such surroundings are not calculated to give it toughness of fibre, or develop its fruit to the highest perfection. The original purpose of Masonry was to give to its votaries the very liberty of thought which time and progress have since granted to vast communities, but which was difficult to assert in the infancy of our society, because it was stamped out by the bigotry of an unenlightened age wherever it appeared. The essential distinction of Masonry for generations was that it was the opponent of tyranny and priestcraft, acting, it is true, by quiet processes, as the freezing rain-drops cleave the rocks, but ever working out its mission for the emancipation of the human intellect and the vindication of private judgment against hoary and otherwise unchallenged despotisms. Any student of Masonic history knows that the Craft first adopted, and in secret taught and maintained, the truths of the Copernican system; and that it did so at a time when GALILEO, broken in heart and

mind, stooping with the weight of seventy years, being brought before the Holy Inquisition, denied having written of the earth's motion in *malice prepense*, confessed to a vain ambition for the acquisition of knowledge, admitted his ignorance and inadvertence but claimed to be innocent of willful disobedience, and offered to add anything to his book to confute the theory of COPERNICUS—"that the sun is the center of the universe and immovable, and that the earth is not the center of the same, and that it moves."

Masonry was operative and speculative. Its speculations tended towards forbidden fields of thought and investigations. New theories could be denied by authority, investigation could be prohibited, and contumacy be punished by imprisonment or death. But, within the walls of the Lodge-room, guarded by zealous vigilance, the theory was not concluded by a denial emanating from ignorant authority, and the investigation proceeded. The persecution of the institution, which lasted for centuries, did not spring from its religious or anti-religious character. To speak cautiously on this point, it may be admitted that, to bigotry, free inquiry savors of atheism, and so far persecutors of Masonry felt justified in those dark ages. But Masonry then had nothing in common with atheism, and has nothing now; and it has as little at any period been a partisan for or against any creed. It recognizes certain great truths which lie at the foundation of every real religion, but it wisely stops short of any discrimination between sects, and thereby makes its universality possible. Masonry was persecuted because it rebelled against the slavishness of those ages and sought to penetrate and dissipate mysteries which were under the protection of superstition.

This spirit of free inquiry commended Masonry to the advanced minds of that period, when to doubt was to be damned in both a temporal and a spiritual sense. The Lodge-room was the centre of activity of thought. The astronomer, the chemist, the geographer, the geologist, all who believed that science had not yet attained to all knowledge, and that divine revelation did not shut out inquiry into nature's secrets, met in secret and propounded their speculations to eager ears, or tested their theories by the crude appliances which infant art had furnished. Our ritual bears traces to this day of the nature of the studies of the old Masons and of the secrets which were then confided to faithful breasts, as any one may detect who listens to it, keeping this idea in mind. In the ages when the boundary between science and empiricism was scarcely marked, it was not strange that the astronomer, demonstrating to the brethren the true theory of the universe, the stationary sun, and the moving earth, should pause to show the influence of Mars upon the destiny of the man or monarch born while it led the starry host; or that the chemist, in revealing the secrets which he had really found in fecund nature, should declare that he had also nearly discovered the philosopher's stone, which could transmute all metals into gold, the elixir of life that should give perpetual health, or a universal solvent. Such ideas were the natural offspring of the contact of high speculative intellect, in a dark and enthusiastic age, with the wonders of science which are in all ages pregnant with mystery. The hardy voyager could tell truths of distant lands which were then as novel as fictions; and yet, like RALEIGH, speak believingly of "men having eyes in their shoulders and mouths in the middle of their breasts"—

"The anthropophagi, and men whose heads
Do grow beneath their shoulders,"

If COPERNICUS was found in the Lodge-room, so was CAGLIOSTRO; if ROGER BACON and BASIL VALENTINE, so were ALBERTUS MAGNUS and PARACELUS. Light was struggling with darkness and doubt was shaking ancient reverences. The fiat had gone forth that all things should become new. Yet the newness was dreaded by Church and State, which bound men's bodies, minds, and hearts to the old order of ideas. Masonry inevitably soon became known as the forum of forbidden discussions, and was proscribed as the enemy of faith and loyalty. Hence came persecution unto death, the *auto da fé*, the rack, and all the ingenuity of torture, which made the secrecy of Masonry a necessary safeguard, and the Tyler at the door, with his drawn sword and traditional

fidelity, no idle display. Men stealthily crept to the Lodge as if to the scene of an intended crime. A surprised meeting meant this lingering torture and hideous death. Such dangers may have appalled the coward, but they attracted the brave. Knowledge thus gained or shared was the forbidden fruit, which is sweet; and the intercourse of true hearts, thus secured, was the bread eaten in secret, which is pleasant. The Craft gained by the very means used for its repression, and its Lodges multiplied in all the cities of Europe where the new learning had votaries and free thought had lovers. If scientific inquiry had not been repressed and outlawed, Masonry would probably have perished in its infancy, as many merely social and beneficial societies have done; but its bold march was encouraged by the very agencies set at work for its destruction: and, while it benefited science by furnishing it the hospitality of the Lodge-room when all else was hostile and persecuting, science benefited Masonry by bringing to its membership the free, brave, intelligent minds of the age—men whose names adorn the scroll of the world's history, which, long after their death, recorded and praised their labors and discoveries.

Another element of the ancient success of Masonry may be overlooked at the present day. The institution was founded upon the natural law that all men are equal. In this respect its teachings were revelations of a social philosophy most surprising in its early age, ante-dating by long centuries any declaration of that fundamental truth emanating from any political body. Most attractive to men's minds—to men loaded down with the might of feudal burdens—to intelligent men, conscious of God-given capacities, though thwarted and circumscribed by the oppressive distinctions which kept humanity in immovable layers,—was the declared truth of man's equality. No matter what the limitations which gave or refused men rank, wealth, or position in the world, in the Lodge room they met, from the first, on a common level. It was the policy or principle of Masonry from its origin to disallow distinctions among men, and to condemn the false pride of caste; for Masonry has never regarded any man for his worldly wealth or honors. Hence, the liberal Prince, in pursuit of science, if he passed our portals, met the architect on the level of a common fraternity, assumed the same vows, and accepted the same truths. Generous souls among the great were not, and did not feel, degraded by their recognition of those truths, the influence of which was to raise in the scale of manhood the generality of the Craft. The constant assertion of every man's equal right to stand on the level with those whose birth or power gave them preëminence in society was a leaven whose necessary work was to dissolve class prejudices and give truer and nobler conceptions of man's claims and obligations. Hence, Masonry has served as an educator in freedom and political justice in the past times, and still performs that office in despotic countries.

That work had also its attendant dangers. The jealousies which the society so long ago engendered, and the persecutions which assailed it in Europe, sprang partly from efforts to repress its tendency toward an order of things where no man should put his heel upon the neck of his fellow. And well might this be. Such an instrumentality not only emancipated the conscience but the person. It necessitated progress towards reform in the State and the overthrow of selfish privileges and class tyrannies. These, from their very nature, were opposed to it. On their side was power, the mailed hand of the warrior, the prejudiced sword of justice; and these were ruthlessly used. Antagonism more positive cannot be conceived than that between the theory of government then existing and the fundamental theory of Masonry. These were absolutely irreconcilable, and conflict was inevitable—waged on the one side with the ordinary weapons of vindictive and scandalizing power, and on the other by skillful evasion or patient endurance. Yet Masonry survived the conflict and worked out its mission. Perhaps its persecutors did not fully estimate its tenacity of life, or understand the scope of its purposes or modes of action. To them it was a heretical and disloyal sect, despised while hated. In fact, it contained the most hopeful germ of the age, which slowly unfolded to beauty and usefulness. Governed by intellect, and not by coercion, the effect of Masonry upon ideas and

manners has been, and is, gradual, and in any short period of time imperceptible. But who shall deny the steady influence of a society then pervading Europe, and now every part of the civilized world, keeping step with population, found alike in parent states and their distant colonies, ever teaching that men are brothers, equal in right and esteem before its altars and in the eye of Heaven, and conveying these truths, not under the sanction of fear or force, but as kindly suggestions and by appeals to reason. A little seed is deposited in the crevice of a cliff; it starts into feeble life; is watered by the rains and fanned by the breezes of heaven; as it grows into majestic proportions it makes itself room, cleaves the rock, and casts it from its ancient seat. The influence at work is silent, and, except by jealous despotism, unnoticed; but the force is irresistible.

Thus truth subdues error. Thus the principle of equality, fostered by Masonry, has overthrown old prejudices and tyrannies and flourished upon their ruins. It has been well said by DRAPER that "brute force holds communities together as an iron nail binds pieces of wood, by the compression it makes—a compression depending upon the force with which it has been hammered in. It also holds a little more tenaciously if a little rusted with age. But intelligence binds like a screw. The things it has to unite must be carefully adjusted to its thread. It must be gently turned, not driven, and so retains the consenting parts firmly together." Privilege was the rusted nail driven into society, which held its discordant parts together. Masonry taught a better way. It was the screw that bound men in adjusted fraternity. The intelligent conception of man's relations which has distinguished the ritual of Masonry during these many ages, and which is known to have illuminated the Craft at a period otherwise as dark as Erebus, seems, as I have said, almost the fruit of a revelation—at least, the precocious perception of a noble natural law—and the principle which bound Masonry together necessarily disintegrated and destroyed opposing systems. Fraternity and equality must expel tyranny and caste or be ousted by them. The issue of such a conflict, continued through the ages, is inevitable—"for ever the truth comes uppermost, and ever the right prevails." Masonry embodies and illustrates that spirit—

"—working in the world
Like to a silent, subterranean fire;
Yet ever and anon some monarch hurled,
Aghast and pale, attests its fearful ire;
The dungeoned nations now once more respire
The keen and stirring air of liberty."

The use of Masonry in this regard has been appreciated by patriots ever since its organization. Many of the heroes of our revolution were Masons, and the Lodge held at Valley Forge, in the darkest days of that struggle, is historical. The Italian patriots, who united Italy and seated VICTOR EMANUEL on a stable throne, were Masons, though stigmatized and misrepresented as *Carbonari*. Masonry is peculiarly popular among the French Republicans, while it is under the ban of what is there called clericalism. It is everywhere the exponent of liberal ideas, with well-understood tendencies which attract the lovers of liberty and equality.

Masonry was a necessary redeeming agent for the age in which it originated. At no time in the world's history, known to civilized man, was some purifying power, outside of the law and existing organizations of state, church, or society, more needed. Referring to the era that probably gave birth to Masonry, though to illustrate another topic, a distinguished writer thus describes its characteristics: "Never did men live under such a crushing sense of degradation; never did they look back with more regret; never were the vices that sprung out of despotism so rife; never was sensuality cultivated more methodically; never did poetry curdle so readily into satire; never was genius so much soured by cynicism; and never was calumny so abundant, so gross, and so easily believed." As a foul atmosphere engenders the lightning which purifies it, so that mean and foul age gave birth to Masonry, which was a protest against its meanness and servility, and a corrective of its vices.

Following down the record of Masonry I find that another element of its growth is that it has never assumed to be a system of, or a substitute for, religion. It does not purport to be a guide to faith. It nowhere seeks to interfere between the creature and the Creator, or assumes to do more than inculcate reverence to the Supreme and faithfulness to man. Nowhere in Masonry is the idea taught or implied that the path to Heaven runs through the Lodge. We have never invaded the province of any sect or creed. The Hebrew who believes in the old dispensation, and the Christian who trusts in the new, alike kneel at our altars. It is a mistake of some well-disposed people to think that Masonry assumes to do more than prescribe the general moralities, without which any faith is dead. But to adopt any creed, to indulge in speculations upon articles of faith, would lead to controversy and disunion. Men's opinions cannot be cast in the same mould of religious belief, even by authority; else persecution would have stamped out dissent, which it has never done; or persuasion would have brought uniformity, which it has as little accomplished. Religious beliefs are compounded not only of reason but of emotions, temperaments, dispositions. While moral truth is immutable, religious beliefs may vary with each generation. Many dogmas, revered of the past, excite the derision of the present. Into this domain Masonry, wisely, has never intruded. There is not a tenet which it taught in the fifteenth century that is not received in this age with reverence. The hot breath of ridicule has never attained it. It is not committed by a record of puerilities in the past to inevitable pre-ent contempt. All that is known of it excites respect and admiration. It has escaped the danger of the divisions which grow from polemical controversy because it has not assumed to dictate opinions, or possess them, on any subject within the reach of such controversy. It has always held whatever it has gained of members or influence, because there could be no schism from its teachings without denial of fundamental truths, which are the security of manhood, home, and society. By avoiding speculation or dogmatism on religious topics it has avoided inconsistency, passion, and disunion. Yet Masonry would have been a failure had it been liable to the charge of impiety. It is true that Masons have been ranked with infidels in persecuting fulminations; and, had the charge been true, the Craft would have had but a limited following, for the tendency of the human mind is reverential. But its votaries knew the charge to be unjust, and clung the more strongly to it from the sense of the injustice.

Masonry has had vast growth because it inculcates a pure morality. No worthy Mason can be a dishonest or impure man. The first lesson which he is taught is that truth is a divine attribute and the foundation of every virtue. He is instructed to put a due restraint upon his affections and passions; to preserve a noble and steady purpose of mind, equally distant from cowardice and rashness; to regulate his life by the dictates of reason; and to render to every man his just due, without distinction. In short, the three great duties of life are impressed upon his mind and conscience—reverence to God, the chief good; kindness to his neighbor, as prescribed by the golden rule; and respect for himself, by avoiding irregularities and intemperance, which impair the faculties and debase the dignity of his profession. While these are the familiar lessons of the Craft, it is not assumed that every Mason lives up to this standard. Human nature has not arrived to this state of perfection in many individuals. When religious sects shall have so far advanced in holiness that they need no longer to say, "when we would do good evil is present with us," then we will admit the justice of a criticism which requires of all our members a practical exemplification of all the virtues inculcated by Masonry. Any system of morality must be judged by its teachings and not alone by its teachers.

We claim only for Masonry that its tendency is toward good; that it elevates the character of men and gives to them better conceptions of their duties and responsibilities before God and man; that the body of the Craft are better men than they would have been had they not been Masons; and that the world is more enlightened, purer, and freer for the institution. But the effect on the growth of that institution,

produced by such teachings, arises from the ready assent of initiates which they command, and which strengthens with maturer judgment and reflection after their advancement. No philosophical observer can doubt that there is a vast preponderance of good in the world, and an unfeigned admiration by the great majority of reasonable beings of that which is right and pure. While there is much of evil there is more of good. Men admire rectitude even if they do not possess it. Even vice pays a tribute to virtue in its hypocrisy. But the average man, as well as the highly gifted, has good intentions and loves truth; he recognizes it with pleasure and attaches himself gladly to its instrumentalities. Hence an element of the success of Masonry. It may be mentioned as an accessory, that the truths of Masonry are illustrated by symbols of felicitous taste and poetic beauty. Rich in expression, yet limpid in simplicity, these rare creations of gifted minds exert a strong influence alike on the imagination and the reason, and give vividness and reality to truths which constant repetition might otherwise render commonplace or monotonous.

The universality of Masonry has been favored by the same influences which have caused many secret societies to spring into existence, flourish awhile, and disappear. These "come like shadows, so depart." Many of them, both social and political, have been produced and have perished during the present generation. These ephemeral creations did not take a deep root in human nature, because they either sprang from superficial causes, were the exponents of a single idea, or were the product of transient, even if strong, sentiment. Men like mystery. They eagerly seek the unknown; but there must be intelligence and permanence of purpose to hold the neophyte who is attracted by curiosity and novelty. No matter how beautiful the symbol, his continued interest must be secured by something behind and superior to the symbol. Dramatic work may appeal to the imagination, but if the reason is left unsatisfied, all soon becomes stale, flat, and unprofitable. Masonry has combined its unsurpassed poetic imagery with philosophic wisdom and sagacity. It not only allures, it retains. While consistent, it is many-sided and meets the tastes of all orders of men, from the humble artisan to the man of abstract science. It numbers in its ranks to-day, as it has done in all the term of its existence, the brightest and most progressive intellects of the age. Princes preside over its deliberations in Europe and feel honored by its honors; and the most eminent statesmen of this republic have ministered at its altars. It thus rests on sturdy foundations and is powerfully buttressed on every side. The fiercest persecutions have therefore failed to destroy it. The mark of ancient superstitious vengeance and modern political assault, it has survived unharmed. It can count its martyrs ruthlessly done to death by thousands; but its history may be almost vainly scanned for a traitor.

The conflict of ideas between Masonry and a prominent religious organization is a relic of the past, and is as inveterate as are all of that class of antagonisms which have a traditional basis. The excitements which are periodically worked up between the descendants of those who fought on opposite sides at the Boyne, excite the wonder of those who do not share the emotions of the actors therein. So we may marvel that time and demonstration have not allayed this antipathy to Masonry. The spirit of the age does not tolerate the forcible modes of repression of ancient days. Undoubtedly the higher humanity which now pervades all government of Church and State, banishes the barbarous expedients of the past. But Masonry is still discountenanced. Roman Episcopal letters of late date have defined as dangerous and heretical the teachings of the Craft. By this authority the Lodge room yet conceals the mystery of iniquity. But the progress of science has justified the right of free inquiry claimed and exercised by Masons, and has taught the world that which they early asserted, that the path to truth is through doubt and investigation. While we may notice that an unnecessary barrier stands between us and the numerous followers of this ancient creed, and that out-worn traditions and past prejudices exclude Masonry from the knowledge and sympathies of millions of men, we accept the situation which

is perhaps the logical result of centuries of antagonism, confident that our institution will prosper in the future as in the past.

Masonry is growing stronger by reason of its very universality. An institution is naturally valued for its numbers and power. A society whose ritual is taught at San Francisco and Boston and New Orleans and Paris and Berlin, by the Neva, the Ganges, and the Amazon, whose affiliates are met by the Craft wherever they travel, may well command the admiration of the world; while it has so many points of contact with civilization everywhere that a small percentage of growth immensely increases its aggregate numbers.

Masonry holds what it gains because it never proselytes. To no man whatever is the suggestion made to become a Mason. If he enters here at all, it is of his own free will and accord—the result of his own reflection and investigation. Hence he can accuse no one of deception, of false inducement to cross the portals of the Lodge. Being the fruit of his own determination, his purpose is more apt to be stable than it would be were it to spring from the influence of friends.

I have thus briefly glanced at a few of the causes of the vigorous youth and luxuriant manhood of Masonry. Undoubtedly there are many others which will suggest themselves to a diligent student of its history and philosophy, and which are worthy of careful study. Whatever those causes the effect has been stupendous. Wherever the sun, in his steady march from clime to clime, looks down upon a civilized race, there our powerful institution has been planted—there are the memorials of the beauty and usefulness of Masonry. Beyond the range of civilization, in the remotest Arctic regions at that time attained by man, our eminent Bro. KANE planted the symbols of the Craft. He tells us that on the highest land, not only of America but of the globe, he set up the flag which WILKES had carried into the Antarctic seas, and which had been preserved as a relic, “floating from a black cliff over the dark rock-shadowed waters which rolled up and broke in white caps at its base. Side by side with this were our Masonic emblems of the compass and the square.” In the new continent at the antipodes, lately tenanted by the wildest race of men and abounding in the strangest productions of nature—where, during scarcely more than the space of a generation, populous communities have subdued the wilderness and adorned it with all the embellishments of civilized life—our pervading Order has erected its temples. Wherever the Mason travels into foreign countries he may work and receive master’s wages. The beneficent genius of our institution attends his steps, furnishes companionship and cheer, alleviates his misfortunes, relieves his wants, and illustrates the brotherhood of man.

Here, to-day, in this beautiful temple of Masonry, in the heart of this city which thirty years ago did not exist, surrounded by thousands of the Craft who are busy with their industries as you legislate upon their Masonic interests—here, in the metropolis of a Pacific empire whose growing power gives promise of majestic destiny—citizens of a free land where intelligence, virtue, and happiness are every-one’s birthright—you may rise above the slavery of prejudice into the liberty of humanity, and mould our institution into the proportions of the skies which grandly overhang us, pure as the health-giving breezes which fan us, grand as our mountains that lift their snow-crowned summits into the upper light, and eternal as the stars which keep holy vigil through the ages.

On motion of the Grand Secretary, it was ordered that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be tendered to the Grand Orator for the eloquent and instructive paper just read, and that it be printed with the transactions of this Communication.

On motion of Bro. WILLIAM A. DAVIES, a collection was taken up for the distressed widow of a Master Mason, amounting to the sum of \$91, which was placed in the hands of Bro DAVIES.

On motion of Bro. ELLISON L. CRAWFORD, the election of Grand Officers was made the special order for eleven o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Grand Secretary presented the credentials of the following named brethren as representatives of other Grand Lodges and Grand Orients near the Grand Lodge of California:—

The M. W. JOHN MILLS BROWNE, Grand Master, from the Grand Lodge of Indiana:

The M. W. JOHN MILLS BROWNE, Grand Master, from the Grand Lodge of Manitoba:

The M. W. WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER, Past Grand Master, from the Grand Orient of the Argentine Republic:

The M. W. LEONIDAS E. PRATT, Past Grand Master, from the Grand Orient of Egypt:

The W. WILLIAM HENRY HILL, Past Grand Chaplain, from the Grand Lodge of Utah: and

The M. W. WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER, Past Grand Master, from the Grand Lodge of Canada:

And the brethren above named were duly received and accredited in the several capacities mentioned.

Bro. JONATHAN D. HINES, from the Committee on Finances, presented the following:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

For the better protection of the funds and property of the Grand Lodge, your committee recommend that Section 2, Article III., Part II. of the Constitution, relative to the Grand Treasurer, be amended so as to read as follows:—

“SEC. 2. Within fifteen days after his installation he shall execute and deliver to the Grand Master, for the use and benefit of the Grand Lodge, a bond in such penal sum, not less than ten thousand dollars, as the Grand Master may direct, with not less than two good and sufficient sureties, conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office and the safe keeping of all moneys and property belonging to the Grand Lodge according to the regulations and orders thereof. The Grand Master shall endorse his approval upon said bond and shall notify the Grand Secretary that such bond has been approved and filed; and no officer of the Grand Lodge shall pay any moneys into the hands of the Grand Treasurer until such bond shall have been executed and filed.”

All which is respectfully submitted by

GEORGE C. PERKINS,	} Committee.
JOSIAH P. BROWN,	
HIRAM T. GRAVES,	
CHARLES L. THOMAS,	
JONATHAN D. HINES,	

Which proposed amendment was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Bro. WILLIAM BERRETTA presented a question as to the proper furniture of a Lodge under dispensation; which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until seven and a half o'clock this evening.

In Grand Lodge.

EVENING SESSION,
Thursday, October 11th, A. L. 5877. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at seven and a half o'clock, the Deputy Grand Master presiding.

The Grand Lecturer exemplified the work in the third degree of Masonry.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

In Grand Lodge.

MORNING SESSION,
Friday, October 12th, A. L. 5877. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at ten o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

After music by the choir and prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the minutes of the sessions of yesterday were read and approved.

Bro. GEORGE T. GRIMES, from the Committee on Credentials, reported the following additional officers of Lodges, and Past Masters by service within this jurisdiction, as being present and entitled to seats, viz.: from

<i>Occidental</i> , ...	No. 22, . . .	GEORGE MCKAY ADAMS, Past Master.
<i>Mount Moriah</i> , ...	No. 44, . . .	GEORGE CRAW HICKOX, Past Master.
<i>Volcano</i> , ...	No. 56, . . .	CHARLES WILLSON, Past Master.
<i>Santa Rosa</i> , ...	No. 57, . . .	ROBERT PRESS SMITH, Jr., Master and Past Master.
<i>Vesper</i> , ...	No. 81, . . .	WILLIAM BREWER CAHOONE, Junior Warden.
<i>Saint Mark's</i> , ...	No. 85, . . .	JONATHAN EDMONDSON, Past Master.
<i>Merced</i> , ...	No. 176, . . .	ADOLPH ISRAEL SIMON, Senior Warden and P. M.
<i>Arcturus</i> , ...	No. 180, . .	JAMES SINGLEY, Past Master.
<i>Marin</i> , ...	No. 191, . . .	THOMAS JEFFERSON BOWERS, Past Master.
<i>Mountain View</i> , . . .	No. 194, . . .	GILBERT EDWARD SHORE, Master and Past Master.
<i>Rio Vista</i> , ...	No. 203, . .	{ MARCELL PIETVZYCKI, Master; JOSIAH POOLE, Past Master.
<i>Doric</i> , ...	No. 216, . . .	LORENZ NICKEL, Junior Warden.
<i>Brooklyn</i> , ...	No. 225, . . .	BEZALEEL MERRITT ATCHINSON, Senior Warden.
<i>Alcatraz</i> , ...	U. D., . . .	EDWARD T. TAYLOR, Junior Warden.

Which report was concurred in and the brethren therein named were admitted to seats.

The M. W. JONATHAN D. STEVENSON, Past Grand Master, appeared and took his seat.

BRO. WILLIAM A. DAVIES proposed the following amendment to the Constitution, viz. :—

Amend subdivision 4, of Sec. 1, Art. IV, Part II, by striking out the word “quarterly,” so that it will read—

“To collect all moneys due the Grand Lodge, keep a correct account thereof in proper books, and pay the same to the Grand Treasurer.”

Which proposed amendment was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

BRO. WILLIAM C. BELCHER, from the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following reports :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee have carefully considered the several matters thus far referred to them, and report thereon in their order, as follows :—

FIRST. As to sundry decisions of the Grand Master reported by him in his Address at the last Annual Communication :—

I. An Inspector inquired whether or not he should give a certificate of qualification to a Master elect whom he found well qualified in the matters of which it was his duty to inquire, but who was thought to be unfit for the office by reason of continued dissipation.

The Grand Master held that the Inspector's duties in that regard were fixed by the Regulations—to inquire only as to the ability of the applicant to give the work and lectures of the three degrees—and that they had not imposed on him the duty of canvassing or determining the moral fitness of the Master elect for the responsible duties of that office.

In this the Grand Master was clearly right. First of all, it behooves a Lodge to see that the brother whom it elects as Master is a man of good repute and of proper habits; and next, it behooves the brother elected to see that he not only possesses the qualification of knowing and being able to give the work and lectures to the acceptance of the Inspector, but that his moral conduct be without offense. The Lodge which elects a Master, known to be intemperate in his habits, ought to be suspended; and the Master, against whom the charge of continued dissipation could be justly made, ought to be tried and expelled. If he has been elected, and is proficient in the work and lectures, he is entitled to the certificate of the Inspector and to be installed. If, for any reason, he is unworthy to occupy the position, our Constitution provides the remedy; and it is the duty of the members of his Lodge to avail themselves of it.

II. Can the Senior Warden preside at a trial when the Master desires to become the prosecutor or is a material witness?

The Grand Master decided that he could not. This was plainly correct. It is the duty of the Master to preside at all trials, but if he is the prosecutor, or a material witness in the case, he ought not to preside; and in such case he should report the facts to the Grand Master, who alone can depute another to preside, and who would, in a proper case, appoint some disinterested Master to conduct the trial.

III. Can charges be amended by adding specifications after a commission has been elected?

The Grand Master decided that such amendments might be made under sanction of the Master, provided that a copy of the amendments be served upon the accused at least ten days before the day appointed for the trial.

This decision was right in the case in which it was made, but does not go far enough. Amendments ought to be allowed whenever they are necessary for, or will tend towards, a proper administration of justice. When the commissioners have assembled, they, with the Master, constitute a court, and, if need be, may adjourn the trial until the pleadings are in such shape as to present fairly the issues to be tried. That the accused may not have occasion to complain of surprise, if he has appeared, the trial should never be allowed to proceed until he has had at least ten days notice of the amendments, by service of a copy. If more time is necessary to enable him to prepare for his defense, it should be given in a Masonic court, as it would be in a civil court.

IV. When a member of a Lodge has been suspended for non-payment of dues, is there any limit to the time for which he must pay in order to be restored?

The Grand Master decided that there was no statute of limitations in respect to Masonic dues and duties.

The party suspended *may* restore himself at any time by payment, but his Lodge must remit or he must pay as a condition for restoration. The presumption is that his Lodge will remit if he ought not to pay, and the Constitution has very wisely left the determination of the matter to the discretion of the Lodge.

V. When does withdrawal from a Lodge become complete; and when does its jurisdiction cease?

In the one case the Grand Master decided that when the Lodge had, at the request of one of its members, voted him a reeommendatory certificate, it could not, at a subsequent meeting, by a reconsideration of its action, restore him to membership; and in the other case that, when a member of a Lodge had withdrawn and removed to the jurisdiction of another Lodge, the first named Lodge could not entertain charges against him.

Our Constitution recognizes the right of every Mason to withdraw from membership in a Lodge. All he has to do is to pay his dues and notify his Lodge, at a stated meeting, that he withdraws from its membership. The very moment that he makes such payment and gives such notice he ceases to be a member. Whether the Lodge will recommend him by certificate to the Fraternity as a worthy brother, is a matter for the Lodge to determine; and when membership has been severed, it can be restored only by petition and election in the way provided for affiliation.

A Lodge has jurisdiction to hear and determine charges against its own members wherever they may reside, and against all Masons residing within its territorial limits.

VI. If a Lodge consents that another Lodge may receive a petition from an applicant residing within its territorial jurisdiction, to which Lodge do the proper fees belong?

The Grand Master decided that the Lodge granting the permission had the right to the fees, and might, at its pleasure, relinquish or insist upon them. This commends itself as just. The Lodge, having the exclusive right to receive the petition and the fees, may surrender its right as to one or both, or may refuse as to either or both.

VII. The Grand Master decided that a non-affiliate whose offers to pay a sum equivalent to the regular dues have been from time to time rejected by the Lodge within whose jurisdiction he resides, need only pay or tender an amount equivalent to the dues accruing since his last tender in order to maintain his standing.

The Constitution gives to a non-affiliate the right to preserve his standing as a Mason by paying, from time to time, to the Lodge within whose jurisdiction he resides, an amount equivalent to its dues. It is his duty to pay, and the privilege of the Lodge to receive. When he has tendered payment he has performed his duty;

and when a Lodge has refused to receive, it should not be allowed to demand again what it refused when offered. The refusal to receive must be deemed equivalent to a remission of the amount tendered.

VIII. The Grand Master decided that all reports of committees upon petitions must be in writing, and that a ballot was properly had when two members of a committee made a favorable report in writing, although a member of the Lodge, at the request of the third member of the committee, who was absent, presented an unfavorable verbal report.

It was the duty of the absent member to make his own report and to make it in writing, and he could not delegate the performance of that duty to another. The Constitution, Sec. 3, Article III., Part III, provides that "if the report of the committee, or of any member thereof, be unfavorable, no ballot shall be had, but the Master shall, upon the reception of such report, declare the candidate rejected." In the case presented no *such* report was received, and the only proper order was to proceed with the ballot.

IX. Must brethren, holding dimitts more than one year old, apply to some Lodge and pay six months' dues before they can be allowed to sign a petition for a dispensation to form a new Lodge?

The Grand Master decided that they need not make such application, that the signing the petition should be regarded as an application for membership, and that, with respect to the formation of a new Lodge, every Mason presenting a dimit from the Lodge of which he was last a member, and who had not been suspended or expelled, must be deemed in good standing.

Sec. 1, Article II, Part V, of the Constitution, declares that the non-affiliate who has resided six months within the jurisdiction of a Lodge and has not made application for affiliation or an offer to pay to the Lodge an amount equivalent to its regular dues, "shall be deemed unworthy of Masonic consideration, and shall not be entitled to, *nor be the recipient of*, any of the rights, privileges, or charities of the Order."

In the judgment of your committee, the right to become a petitioner for and a member of a new Lodge is one of the rights and privileges of the Order, and is within the inhibition of the constitutional provision above referred to. It may be that this inhibition operates to the disadvantage of many worthy Masons who, for reasons satisfactory to themselves, have never made application for membership or paid any amount as an equivalent for dues, but it is a plain declaration of the fundamental law of this jurisdiction. The section referred to declares it to be "the duty of every Master Mason to be a member of some Lodge," and prescribes the penalty for a disregard of that duty; and Sec. 2, Art. I, Part III, declares that no dispensation shall be issued unless the petition is accompanied by the certificate of the nearest or most convenient Lodge "that the petitioners are all Master Masons in good standing."

X. In respect to physical qualifications, the Grand Master decided that the deformity or dismemberment, which would exclude, must be such as would prevent a literal conformity to the requirements of the several degrees, and that an applicant who was hump-backed, but was, "in all other respects of natural physical conformation," was not for that reason ineligible.

The 11th of our General Regulations declares that the person who desires to be made a Mason, must not be "deformed or dismembered, but hale and sound in his physical conformation, having his right limbs as a man ought to have, and able to *conform literally* to what the several degrees require of him."

In 1872, the Committee on Jurisprudence said in respect to this regulation: "In the judgment of your committee, a fair construction of the regulation requires not only that the applicant shall *not* be deformed or dismembered, and shall be hale and sound in his physical conformation, having his right limbs as a man ought to have, but that he must *also* be able to conform literally to what the several degrees respectively require of him. Such construction gives meaning to every part of the regulation, as the rules of construction universally adopted require."

The present committee fully concur in what was then said. They are aware that very many of the best informed brethren think now, as they then thought, that the last clause was the controlling one, and that the only inquiry to be made should be as to the ability to conform literally to the requirements of the degrees; and that, if the candidate possessed that ability, he might be deformed and dismembered and need not be hale or sound in his physical conformation. Your committee cannot so interpret the regulation, and are of the opinion that the applicant is ineligible if he be *deformed* or *dismembered*, or be, for any reason, unable to conform literally to the requirements of the three degrees.

XI. Can a witness, for or against a brother on trial, act as one of the trial-commissioners?

The Grand Master decided that he might so act. He says: "I answered that the statutes do not inhibit a trial-commissioner from giving evidence in the case in which he acts as such; and, although it would be preferable for a commissioner not to be a witness, yet when the evidence is important and the witness not interested in the result of the trial, competency pertains; and, as the great object of every trial is to elicit truth, and in the spirit of truth to administer justice, I could see no objection to following the custom of military and other courts, and allowing the double office to be performed."

Your committee think that it would be extremely dangerous to allow a witness, whose evidence is important to the prosecution or the defence, to act as a trial-commissioner. We know that witnesses not unfrequently become more or less partisans of the side for which they appear. In some cases an important witness might be willing and able to do exact justice between the parties, but he would be an extraordinarily good man if he could judge of the character and effect of his own evidence with the same impartiality as he would of that of a stranger. The Constitution does not, in express terms, declare that a witness shall not act as one of the judges, but we think that, by a fair interpretation of the provisions of that instrument with respect to trials, it was the purpose that only unbiased and impartial men should be allowed to act as commissioners. In our civil courts a witness cannot be a juror, and in a Masonic court he ought not to be.

If it were known at the time of the election of commissioners that any individual would be, or ought, from his knowledge of the facts of the case, to be a witness, the Master should not allow him to be elected, or, if elected, should declare him ineligible to the position; and if, when the commission has assembled to hear the case, or, during the progress of the trial, either party should call one of the commissioners as a witness and he testify to the merits of the case, he should cease to act as a member of the board; and it should be good cause for reversing the judgment or determination of the board that one of the parties participating in its final action had been a witness and testified to the material facts of the case.

SECOND. As to an amendment to Section 1, Article V, Part I, of the Constitution, proposed by Bro. WILLIAM H. HILL, at the last Annual Communication, for the purpose of having the election for Grand Officers held on the *third*, instead of the *fourth* day of the Communication. The section, if so amended, would read as follows:—

Sec. 1. "The Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Wardens, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary shall be elected by ballot, at each Annual Communication, on the third day thereof," etc.

In the judgment of your committee, the amendment ought not to be adopted. The business of the Grand Lodge ought to be finished before the election takes place, and it must be apparent to all who have attended its meetings that the whole of the third day is absolutely necessary for the disposition of business, and that, ordinarily, it is the busiest day of the whole Communication. We recommend that the amendment be not adopted.

THIRD. Concerning sundry matters relative to the Grand Orient of the Argentine Republic.

Last year this committee reported that they were unable, from the documents furnished them, to form any intelligent judgment in regard to the difficulties to which those documents related, and recommended that the papers, with such others as might afterwards be received, be referred to the committee of this year. The Grand Secretary, at the request of the committee, wrote to the Grand Secretary of that Grand Orient for such further papers as he could furnish, but none have as yet been received. Your committee therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

FOURTH. Concerning a resolution offered last year by Bro. WILLIAM H. CLARK, relative to the positions to be assigned to other societies at funerals conducted by Masonic Lodges. Bro. CLARK desired an expression of opinion.

The Address of the Grand Master at this Communication not only expresses an opinion, but plainly states the only rule that can be adopted in such cases.

The Lodge conducting the ceremonies will occupy the post of honor, and will assign such positions to other societies that may join in the procession or ceremonies as the circumstances of the case may seem to render proper. The members of a Lodge may join in the procession as citizens when the ceremonies are conducted by other organizations, but the *Lodge* can only appear on such occasions when the ceremonies are under its direction.

FIFTH. In relation to the formation and proposed recognition of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico.

On the sixth day of August, 1877, three Lodges, holding charters under the Grand Lodge of Missouri, met in convention at Santa Fe, in the Territory of New Mexico, and on that day and the next framed and adopted a Constitution and by-laws for, and formed and organized the Grand Lodge of New Mexico—with Bro. WILLIAM W. GRIFFIN as Grand Master and Bro. DAVID J. MILLER as Grand Secretary. Your committee have examined the proceedings of the convention and of the new Grand Lodge, and find them regular; and they report that said Grand Lodge was regularly formed and constituted, and propose and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of California recognizes the Grand Lodge of New Mexico as a just and legally constituted Grand Lodge, and extends to it a hearty and fraternal welcome.

SIXTH. Relative to a new regulation proposed by Bro. HIRAM N. RUCKER, which is in the following language:—

“It shall be the duty of all Masters of subordinate Lodges, within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of California, to require of all Masons, residing within the jurisdiction of their respective Lodges and claiming membership within other jurisdictions, to show a receipt for dues once in six months, or oftener, as evidence of good standing.”

If such a regulation were adopted it would impose a very onerous and unpleasant duty on our Masters, and it might suggest the inquiry whether we had any business of our own to attend to.

When a Mason from another jurisdiction comes to this State, with the purpose of making it his permanent residence, it is fitting that he should, and in most cases he will, withdraw from membership there and become a member of some Lodge here; but if he chooses, for any reason, to retain his membership in the other jurisdiction, he has the undoubted right to do so. Whether he pays his dues or not concerns the Lodge of which he is a member, and does not concern us. If he maintains his good

standing as a Mason elsewhere, he is entitled to the courtesies extended to Masons in good standing here. The only inquiry which we can legitimately make is whether he is or ought to be suspended or expelled; and we have a formula which is familiar to most Masons, by which Masters can satisfy themselves in that regard, whenever, in their judgment, it is necessary or proper to propose the test. Your committee recommend that the proposed regulation be not adopted.

SEVENTH. Relative to a memorial from Bro. HENRY CLAY DOWNING, of *Occidental* Lodge, No. 22, presented by Past Master JOHN E. PURDY, of that Lodge.

Bro. DOWNING states in his memorial that he was made a Mason in *Occidental* Lodge, No. 22, and has been a member of that Lodge, in good standing, since the thirty-first day of March, 1862; that in June, of the present year, he met with an accident which rendered him helpless and unable to provide for the support of himself and family; that he was in want of the actual necessities of life; and that he applied to his Lodge for relief, which was refused. He now asks that the Grand Lodge may take some action in the premises.

From Bro. SAMUEL W. BACKUS, the Master of that Lodge, who, with others, appeared before your committee in this matter, they learn—

1st. That Bro. DOWNING was thrown, or fell, from a buggy in June last, and received such injuries that the lower portion of his body became, and still continues to be, partially paralyzed; that he has been unable since to move himself, and has been, and still continues to be, under care of a physician; and that he is in necessitous circumstances:

2d. That application in his behalf was made to the charity committee of his Lodge, consisting of the Master and Wardens, and that relief was refused by the Master and Senior Warden, (who acted in the matter without the Junior Warden,) on the ground that the applicant had been dissipated and had done sundry things which, in their judgment, rendered him unworthy of the charities of the Order, and that they so informed him by letter:

3d. That subsequently, at a stated meeting of the Lodge, a member moved that the Lodge give one hundred dollars for the relief of that brother; and that this motion the Master refused to entertain, on the ground that the attendance of members was not full:

4th. That, at the next stated meeting, a full attendance was secured by summons, and that then the motion to grant relief to Bro. DOWNING was renewed, but that the Lodge refused to grant it by referring the matter to its charity committee, who had already refused, and then expressed themselves as intending to refuse, any aid:

5th. That Bro. DOWNING resides at San Rafael, and that the Master and Wardens and two Past Masters of *Marin* Lodge, No. 191, at that place, indorse upon the petition their certificate that Bro. DOWNING is "in a condition of helplessness, unable even to move from his bed without assistance, and that he and his family are without the common necessities of life, except as they are furnished by friends and charities:—"

And 6th. That *Occidental* Lodge is abundantly able, out of its proper charity fund, to render all needed aid to its members.

Under these circumstances the following questions are brought to the notice of your committee:—

1. Has a Lodge the right to question the worthiness of one of its members, asking for relief, in any way except by the preferring of charges and a trial?

2. Has the charity committee of a Lodge the right to inquire, in such a case, further than to determine whether there is actual need of help?

3. When a member of a Lodge, at one of its regular meetings, moves that the Lodge grant relief to one of its members in distress, is it within the discretion of the Master to refuse to entertain the motion? and

4. Was *Occidental* Lodge, No. 22, guilty of a Masonic offense when, having the ability, it refused to aid Bro. DOWNING?

The case presents some remarkable features. It is certainly remarkable that a Mason should continue in full membership with a Lodge for fifteen years, and that no inquiry should be made as to his moral fitness until, by a sudden misfortune, he is rendered helpless and compelled to call for assistance. The common instincts of humanity should then impel us to forget his faults and delinquences and to tender such aid as his necessities require. If we can afford to overlook his offenses against the moral law when he is hale and strong and amply able to provide for himself, it certainly is not the part of manhood to begin to speer out his faults when misfortune has overtaken him and he is helpless. It is a good maxim, which has come down to us from the generous and brave old Saxons, that every man is to be deemed innocent until he be proven guilty, and until his guilt has been established by the judgment of some proper tribunal,

When Bro. DOWNING applied to his Lodge for relief, his name was on its roll as a member in good standing, and the only inquiry then to be made by the Lodge, or by its charity committee, was whether he was in actual distress; and, if found so to be, the duty to relieve him was plain and imperative, and it was a duty for the neglect of which it is hard to conceive a plausible excuse. It is no excuse for the Lodge, in this neglect of its first duty, to say that the applicant had been dissipated, had squandered his estate, and, through his own folly, reduced himself to penury. That is a specious pretext—not an excuse.

Your committee think that the time when one of its members needs and applies for relief is not the time when the Lodge may stop to inquire whether he has, in something or in many things, offended, and that he must be presumed to be worthy until his unworthiness has been judicially determined; and, further, that it is not the province of the charity committee of a Lodge, at any time, to canvass or determine the question whether or not a member of their Lodge is worthy of Masonic consideration. Their only duty is to ascertain if the member is in actual need, and if they find that he is, they are to relieve him. Your committee are of the opinion that it is the right of every member of a Lodge to move, at any one of its meetings, that the Lodge relieve the distress of any one of its own members, and that it is not within the discretion of the Master to refuse to entertain such a motion; and they are also of the opinion that *Occidental* Lodge was guilty of a flagrant offense when, under the circumstances, it refused to render any assistance to Bro. DOWNING, and that that Lodge should be required to make prompt amends, so far as it may, for the wrong done and for its wanton disregard of one of its plainest and most imperative Masonic duties.

To the end that justice may be done, your committee propose and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the matter of *Occidental* Lodge, No. 22, in its relations with Bro. HENRY CLAY DOWNING, be referred to the Grand Master, with instructions to require that Lodge to take promptly such action in the case of Bro. DOWNING as he shall deem proper in the premises.

EIGHTH. Relative to a communication from the Grand Orient of Egypt concerning certain action of the Grand Orient of France.

The Grand Orient of Egypt informs us that the Grand Orient of France, at its general meeting in September, 1876, struck out from its Constitution the declaration of a belief in God and the immortality of the soul, and declares its own belief in these essential doctrines.

Our own Grand Lodge having several years since refused to maintain friendly relations or hold any intercourse with the Grand Orient of France, it would be hardly proper that we should criticise its action, even in a matter which strikes at the very foundation of the Masonic edifice.

NINTH. Relative to a communication from the Hon. Secretary of the Masonic Union of New South Wales, concerning the establishment of an independent Grand Lodge in that Province:—

In the Province of New South Wales there are, as appears from the papers accompanying the communication of Bro. E. H. WILLIAMS, Honorary Secretary of the Masonic Union, forty-five Lodges, of which twenty-three have charters from the Grand Lodge of England, sixteen have charters from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and six have charters from the Grand Lodge of Ireland, with a Provincial Grand Lodge holding under each of said Grand Lodges. The Masonic Union was established to promote the formation of a Grand Lodge for the Province, and the communication of Bro. WILLIAMS asks for information as to what is necessary to be done to accomplish their purpose and to obtain recognition by other Grand Lodges.

It would seem that there is abundant material in the Province of New South Wales for the establishment of a Grand Lodge, and that the necessities of the Craft would require one. The method of forming and organizing such a body is evidently well understood by the Masonic Union, and we may assure them that we shall be very happy to recognize and enter into friendly relations with a just Grand Lodge established there, whenever it shall have first obtained recognition from the Grand Lodge or Grand Lodges under which its constituent Lodges hold their charters. The recognition extended by the Grand Lodges of England, Scotland, and Ireland to the Grand Lodges of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island, within the past few years, shows that those Grand Lodges are willing to surrender their claim to allegiance from all those Lodges which desire to seek a new allegiance—only insisting that such Lodges as choose to retain their charters shall not be molested. There is a seeming propriety in that, though we much prefer the American doctrine of exclusive jurisdiction.

TENTH. Relative to an amendment to Sec. 2, Art. III, Part II, of the Constitution, proposed Bro. by JONATHAN D. HINES.

The object of the proposed amendment is to fix the amount of the bond to be given by the Grand Treasurer at a sum not less than \$10,000, and to require that his bond be given to, and approved by, the Grand Master, before he shall enter upon the discharge of his duties.

You committee think the amendment a very proper one, as, if a bond is to be required of the Grand Treasurer, it should be given as a condition precedent to entering upon his duties. They therefore recommend that the amendment be adopted.

ELEVENTH. Relative to an amendment to the 4th subdivision of Sec. 1. Art. 1V, Part II, of the Constitution, striking out the word "quarterly" in the second line thereof, proposed by Bro. WILLIAM A. DAVIES.

The amendment proposed is approved by the committee, and they recommend its adoption.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM C. BELCHER,	} Committee.
N. GREENE CURTIS,	
WILLIAM A. DAVIES,	
LEONIDAS E. PRATT,	

All which reports were concurred in and the resolutions accompanying the fifth and seventh were adopted.

On motion of Bro. CHARLES L. WIGGIN, the special order—being the election of the Grand Officers—was postponed until three o'clock this afternoon.

BRO. GEORGE C. PERKINS, from the Committee on Finances, presented the following reports:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee report that they have carefully examined the books, papers, and vouchers of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, and find them correct in every particular. They take pleasure in testifying, and feel that, in doing so, they are only performing an act of justice to the Grand Secretary, that the business of his office, (so far as appears of record,) has been conducted with strict accuracy and integrity, and is deserving of the highest encomiums. They also find that his official bonds (as well as those of the present Grand Treasurer) have been regularly filed, and that regular settlements with and transfers to the Grand Treasurer have been made in strict compliance with the requirements of the Constitution.

The accounts of the Grand Lodge and the books of the Grand Treasurer show that there is due from BRO. JAMES LAIDLEY, deceased, late Grand Treasurer, the sum of five thousand one hundred and ninety-one and twenty-two one hundredths dollars. A claim for that amount has been presented by the present Grand Treasurer to the executors of the last will and testament of our late Grand Treasurer, and has been allowed by them; but the estate being in process of settlement, it is not yet known what sum will be realized therefrom.

As appears by the report of the Grand Secretary, the Grand Lodge is the owner of thirteen hundred and eighteen shares of the stock of the "Masonic Hall Association of the City of San Francisco"—the shares being ten dollars each. The Grand Treasurer being the proper custodian of all the funds of the Grand Lodge, (not otherwise specially provided for) we would recommend that he be requested to render a statement concerning this stock, together with an account of all dividends received, in his next annual report to the Grand Lodge; and also that the Grand Master require of him a good and sufficient bond, (as provided in Sec. 2, Article III, Part II, of the Constitution) in such penal sum and with sureties sufficient to cover twice the sum of money and value of stock or bonds that may come into his hands, belonging to the Grand Lodge, during the term of office for which he may be elected.

Your committee offer the following resolution and recommend that it be adopted:—

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer be authorized to use all honorable means to collect the amount due to the Grand Lodge from the estate of the late BRO. JAMES LAIDLEY, deceased; and that he report the result of his efforts at the next Annual Communication.

Your committee, to whom were referred the reports of the several Boards of Relief, and that portion of the Grand Master's Address relating thereto, report that they have carefully examined in detail the reports which have been submitted to them, and have ascertained that apparently the moneys placed at their disposal have been wisely and judiciously expended.

The Board of Relief of San Jose, having on hand a sum of money nearly equal in amount to that disbursed by them during the past year, your committee have recommended that the sum heretofore appropriated thereto, be given this year to the Board of Relief recently organized in the city of Santa Barbara; as, by reason of its geographical situation and far famed reputation as a health-restoring climate, many who are sick and destitute seek that city, and reach it but to become a charge upon the fraternity.

The Board of Relief of Marysville reported by telegraph the amount of their receipts and disbursements, without giving any detailed statement or report of their transactions during the past year; and there are therefore no sufficient data upon which to make a recommendation in their behalf.

Your committee therefore submit the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That the sum of twenty-eight hundred dollars be appropriated to, and be divided among, the several Masonic Boards of Relief in this State, as follows:—

To San Francisco,.....	\$2,000 00	To Los Angeles,.....	\$200 00
To Sacramento, ...	400 00	To Stockton,.....	100 00
To Santa Barbara,.....	\$100 00.		

Your committee have had under consideration so much of the Address of the Grand Master as relates to a communication from the Grand Master of Peru, detailing the loss of life, destruction of the Lodge-room, and the destitution and missing at Tocopella. The touching words of sympathy so eloquently expressed by our Grand Master cannot fail to convince our brethren in this far off land that they have our warmest sympathy and commiseration for the afflicting dispensation of Providence which has dealt so heavily with them. But we trust that the shadow of sorrow will not long linger over them, and that the sun of prosperity will soon return to bless and prosper them as before.

Your committee have also received from our Grand Secretary, as noted in his report, a communication from the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, giving information of the great fire at St. John on the twentieth day of June last, and the consequent necessities of a large number of brethren in that city. It is distressing to know of such needs and be unable to do aught for their relief; but such, unhappily, is our present condition. An unfortunate event has, for the time, depleted our treasury so that the urgent demands upon our remaining funds, existing in our own midst, prevent us from extending to them more substantial aid.

Your committee recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year—the total sum amounting to four hundred and seventy-five dollars less than the amount voted at the last Communication for salaries and necessary expenses. The sum recommended for payment to the Grand Lecturer is the amount due him for services rendered to date:

For expenses of the elective Grand Officers and of this Communication,....	\$ 100 00
For printing, rent, and other expenses of the Grand Secretary's office, ...	3500 00
For salary of the Grand Secretary,.....	3600 00
For salary of the Assistant Grand Secretary,.....	1500 00
For salary of the Grand Lecturer, (three months), ...	125 00
For salary of the Grand Treasurer,.....	200 00
For salary of the Grand Organist, ...	50 00
For salary of the Grand Tyler,.....	100 00
For services of the chairman of the Committee on Correspondence,.....	250 00
For contingent expenses of the Grand Master,.....	500 00

All which is respectfully submitted by

GEORGE C. PERKINS,	} Committee.
JOSIAH P. BROWN,	
HIRAM T. GRAVES,	
CHARLES L. THOMAS,	
JONATHAN D. HINES,	

All which reports were concurred in and the resolutions accompanying them were adopted.

BRO. CHARLES L. THOMAS, from and by direction of the Committee on Finances, offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Reserve Fund of this Grand Lodge be and are hereby requested to present, to-day, a report of the condition of that fund.

Which resolution was adopted.

BRO. JONATHAN D. HINES, from the same committee, presented the following report :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Address of the Grand Master relating to the formation of a Widows' and Orphans' Fund, and the appropriation of money to enable the Grand Master to give temporary relief in certain cases during the recess of the Grand Lodge, have had the same under consideration and report as follows :—

While your committee fully concur in the humane sentiments so gracefully and eloquently expressed by the Grand Master, they are of the opinion that an appropriation at this Communication for the charitable purposes therein stated, is impracticable, by reason of the necessity of appropriating all our available funds in aid of our several Masonic Boards of Relief, and for other pressing purposes required in our own jurisdiction ; and, so far as relates to the establishment of a permanent Widows' and Orphans' Fund, they see no reason for changing the views expressed in the report of the Committee on Finances which was adopted at the last Annual Communication.

All which is respectfully submitted by

GEORGE C. PERKINS,	} Committee.
JOSIAH P. BROWN,	
HIRAM T. GRAVES,	
CHARLES L. THOMAS,	
JONATHAN D. HINES,	

Which report was concurred in.

BRO. WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Grievances, presented the following reports :—

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry of MICHAEL BOROWSKI, who was expelled by *Truckee* Lodge, No. 200, on the twenty-fourth day of January, 1871, report that the petitioner has complied with all the requirements of our Constitution, and that the Lodge by which he was expelled has recommended his restoration.

The petitioner was expelled for fomenting discord in his Lodge by stating that the Senior Warden had been guilty of gross Masonic offenses, and that he intended to bring charges against him. Within a few years the said Warden was tried by his Lodge for the very same offenses of which Bro. BOROWSKI had accused him, and was suspended. Under these circumstances your committee are of the opinion that the prayer of the petitioner should be granted, and they therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption :—

Resolved, That MICHAEL BOROWSKI be and is hereby restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry of CHARLES HOWARD GORDON, who was expelled by *Woodbridge* Lodge, No. 131, on the sixteenth day of January, 1875, and the protest of said Lodge against granting the prayer of the petitioner, have had the same under consideration, and, after a full and very exhaustive examination into all the facts of the case as exhibited in the transcripts of the various trials, and a careful hearing of the statements of a number of brethren for and against the petitioner, report as follows :—

This case is very familiar to a portion of your committee, inasmuch as it has regularly come before this Grand Lodge at every Communication since 1873. In that year the petitioner was accused in his Lodge of gross unmasonic conduct in that he did "on or about the twentieth day of May, in effect, say that Bro. JAMES FOLGER, a Master Mason in good standing and a member of *Woodbridge* Lodge, No. 131, did

feloniously participate in burning his (the petitioner's) property in Lodi." On this charge the petitioner was brought to trial, convicted, and expelled. He appealed to the Grand Lodge, and the action of the Lodge was reversed for the reason that the accused had been refused a reasonable extension of time in which to prepare his defense. The case was remanded to the Lodge for further action. A new trial was had with the same result. Again an appeal was taken, and again the Grand Lodge reversed the decision, for the reason that the members of the Lodge had not been legally notified of the special meeting held to elect commissioners. The case was again sent back. A third trial took place and the accused was once more expelled. He appealed, but when the subject came before your committee in 1875, it was found that the appeal had not been filed within the time prescribed in our Constitution, and consequently no action was had. In 1876 he applied for a rehearing of his case, but as our law does not recognize any such remedy, nothing could be done. This year he has, in accordance with our regulations, applied in due form to be restored. Woodbridge Lodge was properly notified, and has protested against his restoration; and thus, for the first time in five years, the case comes up before us in such a shape that it can be decided on its merits.

This long continued litigation, in connection with personal and business antagonisms, has engendered such an intense bitterness of feeling between the parties that it would seem to be impossible for the Lodge, on one side, to impartially weigh and decide upon the evidence in the case, or, on the other hand, for the accused to look on most of the members of the Lodge in any other light than as personal enemies. This condition of affairs is certainly much to be regretted, but that it does exist is a most unhappy fact.

Your committee feel that the utmost consideration should be shown to the protest of any Lodge against the restoration of a brother by it expelled, but in this particular case, after careful examination of all the evidence presented in each of the three trials, they are unanimously of the opinion that no Masonic offense has been proved against the accused, and that justice requires them to report that his request should be granted. They therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That the petition of CHARLES HOWARD GORDON be granted, and that he be and is hereby restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS,	} Committee.
SAMUEL G. HILBORN,	
LEWIS F. JONES,	
WILLIAM H. CRANE,	

The first of which reports was concurred in and the accompanying resolution was adopted; but the second was not concurred in nor was its appendant resolution adopted.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Lodge.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Friday, October 12th, A. L. 5877. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at two o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

BRO. SAMUEL G. HILBORN, from the Committee on Grievances, presented the following report:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom was referred the transcript of the record of trial of GEORGE M. PINNEY, by *Oakland Lodge*, No. 188, have carefully examined the same and report as follows:—

The evidence produced at the trial was amply sufficient to warrant the sentence of expulsion which was adjudged by the commission; but an error occurred in the proceedings which your committee do not feel warranted in indorsing. No summons was ever actually served upon the accused as is required by law. The indorsement of service on the summons is in the following words:—

“I, JAMES E. INGOLS, Secretary of this Lodge, hereby certify that I duly served the annexed summons upon Bro. GEORGE M. PINNEY, on the twenty-fourth day of January, 1877, by mailing a duplicate thereof, together with a certified copy of the charge and specifications which accompanied the summons, to the Secretary of *Aconcagua Lodge*, F. and A. M., at Valparaiso, Chile, S. A.

JAS. E. INGOLS.”

Under no condition of affairs does this constitute a good service. On the presentation of the charges, if the residence of the accused was *unknown*, the Master of the Lodge should have ordered the trial to proceed *ex parte* and at once. If the residence of the accused was *known*, then the summons and accompanying papers should have been mailed to the address of the accused. All the proceedings in the case are based upon the theory that the residence of the accused was known. The complaint so states, and the subsequent proceedings are consistent with no other theory. Your committee are of the opinion that it is better that *Oakland Lodge* should be taxed with the additional labor of giving the accused a new trial rather than that the Grand Lodge should countenance such a departure from the letter and spirit of the Masonic law; and they therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the action of *Oakland Lodge*, No. 188, in expelling GEORGE M. PINNEY from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, be reversed and set aside, and that the case be remanded to that Lodge with directions to re-try said PINNEY upon the charges already preferred.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS,	} Committee.
SAMUEL G. HILBORN,	
LEWIS F. JONES,	
WILLIAM H. CRANE,	

Which report was concurred in and the resolution accompanying it was adopted.

BRO. JOHN C. PARTRIDGE, from the Committee on By-Laws, presented the following report:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom were referred the by-laws of the following Lodges, now working under dispensation, viz.: *Alcatraz*, *Laurel*, and *Pomona*, have examined the same and find that each has adopted the uniform code.

In relation to the various amendments proposed by sundry Lodges to their by-laws, as enumerated in the report of the Grand Secretary and as approved by the Grand Master, your committee have naught but approval to present save in one instance, that being a proposed amendment to the by-laws of *Fidelity Lodge*, No. 120, which is as follows:—

"And there shall also be paid, *as dues*, by each member, on the death of a member of the Lodge, the sum of one dollar; provided, that those members who attend the funeral, or who, in consequence of illness or absence from the city, shall be unable to attend, may be excused by the Lodge from such payment."

Your committee are unanimously of the opinion that the above amendment should not be approved, believing that such a *fine*, though nominated as *dues*, might, and probably would, work a real hardship upon many a worthy member who, neither sick nor absent from the city, would still be forced away from his daily labor, where by his own hands he gains a scanty subsistence, or be compelled to pay a hard-earned dollar which perhaps his family might greatly need. While to this class of members a positive injury would accrue by its approval, by its disapproval all the members have but to do their duty as Masons, and a deceased brother will be laid away in the silent city of the dead as a sad but hallowed and Masonic duty.

All which is respectfully submitted by

JOHN C. PARTRIDGE,	} Committee.
SAMUEL W. BORING,	
JAMES BEAZELL,	
JOHN WARNER,	
BENJAMIN PAULY,	

Which report, after some discussion, was laid over for consideration until after the election of the Grand Officers.

Bro. JOHN C. PARTRIDGE, from the special committee to whom had been referred that portion of the Grand Master's Address relative to the duties of the Grand Lecturer, presented the following report:—

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Address in regard to the definition of the duties of the Grand Lecturer, report that, having carefully considered the matter, they are satisfied that "instructing the many Masters elect of Lodges who may apply to him for instruction," mentioned in the proceedings of 1875 as being a part of his duties, cannot mean that he is expected to qualify them all in the work of all the degrees of Masonry—that being a physical impossibility. Not a month usually passes between the election and installation of the Master of a Lodge; and, there being something over two hundred Lodges in this jurisdiction, the Grand Lecturer must be endowed with the infinite quality of omnipresence to enable him to perform such duties in that length of time. Your committee are of the opinion that it is the duty of the several Inspectors to qualify the officers of the Lodges in their respective districts, and not that of the Grand Lecturer.

All which is respectfully submitted by

ORRIN W. HOLLENBECK,	} Committee.
JOHN C. PARTRIDGE,	
SAMUEL W. BORING,	
FRANCIS E. WARREN,	
IANTHIS J. ROLFE,	

Which report was concurred in.

The hour to which the special order—the election of Grand Officers—had been postponed, having now arrived, the Grand Master named as tellers, being two for each of the six boxes, the following brethren, viz:—

LOUIS COHN,	EBEN D. PERKINS,	THOMAS FRASER,
ISAAC UPHAM,	GEORGE A. MCKENZIE,	CHARLES J. PADDOCK,
WILLIAM M. PETRIE,	LEMUEL T. CRANE,	SAMUEL W. BACKUS,
BENJAMIN N. BUGBEY,	HENRY C. WARNER,	JOHN FARNHAM;

And the election proceeded with the following result:—

The *M. W.* JOHN MILLS BROWNE, of Vallejo, was re-elected Grand Master ;

The *R. W.* WILLIAM WILSON TRAYLOR, of San Francisco, was elected Senior Grand Warden ;

The *V. W.* MOSES HELLER, of San Francisco, was elected Grand Treasurer ; and

The *V. W.* ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, of San Francisco, was re-elected Grand Secretary.

No one having received a majority of all the votes cast for the offices of Deputy Grand Master and Junior Grand Warden, and darkness approaching, further voting for those officers was postponed until seven and a half o'clock this evening, to which hour the Grand Lodge was called off.

In Grand Lodge.

EVENING SESSION,
Friday, October 12th, A. L. 5877. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at seven and a half o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

The election of Grand Officers was concluded, with the following result :—

The *R. W.* CHARLES LOUIS WIGGIN, of San Francisco, was re-elected Deputy Grand Master ; and

The *R. W.* WILLIAM HENRY CRANE, of Susanville, was elected Junior Grand Warden.

Sundry brethren were excused for non-attendance upon the first day of the Communication, and sundry others were also excused from further attendance after to-day.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

In Grand Lodge.

MORNING SESSION,
Saturday, October 13th, A. L. 5877. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at ten o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

After music by the choir and prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the minutes of the sessions of yesterday were read and approved.

BRO. WILLIAM C. BELCHER, chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, called the attention of the Grand Master to the fact that, upon the two proposed amendments to the Constitution which were reported upon by that committee yesterday, through some inadvertence, no motion for adoption had been made nor any vote for such adoption taken.

The Grand Master thereupon stated that no such vote having been taken, and the Constitution providing that no amendment thereto can be adopted after the election of the Grand Officers, those proposed amendments must await the further consideration of the Grand Lodge at another Communication.

The report of the Committee on By-Laws, which appears in the journal of yesterday, and which was laid over until after the election of Grand Officers, was taken up for consideration; and, after some discussion, was recommitted to that committee.

On motion of the Grand Lecturer, it was ordered that the present Inspectors of the several Masonic districts shall continue to hold their respective offices until the first day of February next.

BRO. ORRIN W. HOLLENBECK, on behalf of sundry Inspectors, presented the following recommendation relative to certificates of the qualification of Masters:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

The undersigned Inspectors personally know that many of the Masters and Past Masters of Lodges within this jurisdiction are fully competent to give the work and lectures of the three degrees of Masonry, as ordained by this Grand Lodge, and are of the opinion that, in the case of the re-election of a Master or Past Master, known to an Inspector to be competent and qualified, that officer should have the power to issue his certificate of qualification without another personal examination. They therefore recommend that the certificate to be hereafter issued by an Inspector shall be in the following form:—

JURISDICTION OF CALIFORNIA.

Inspector's Certificate.

I, ..., Inspector of the Masonic District in the above named jurisdiction, do hereby certify that Bro., the Master elect of Lodge, No., F. and A. M., is fully qualified to give the work and lectures entire in the three degrees of Masonry, as ordained by our Grand Lodge and taught by the Grand Lecturer thereof.

....., Inspector.

All which is submitted on behalf of

JOHN A. WATSON,	} <i>Inspectors.</i>
LANTHIS J. ROLFE,	
ORRIN W. HOLLENBECK,	
JOHN Q. ADAMS,	

Which recommendation was concurred in.

BRO. JONATHAN D. HINES, from the Committee on Finances, presented the following reports :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom was referred so much of the Report of the Grand Secretary as relates to the necessity for providing increased means for the proper keeping of the books and papers belonging to the Grand Lodge, have considered the same; and, after personal inspection, find that all the available book-cases and cases for the deposit of papers, etc., are fully occupied, and that an absolute necessity exists for increased facilities for the proper and safe keeping of the accumulating books and papers of the Grand Lodge. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to procure such cases as may be necessary for the purposes above named, at a cost not to exceed the sum of \$500; and that he report his action thereon at the next Annual Communication.

Your committee report that the claims for "necessary expenses in attending the Grand Lodge" presented by Bro. JOHN M. BROWNE, Grand Master, for \$26, and by Bro. SOLON W. CRAIGUE, Junior Grand Warden, for \$67 50, amounting in all to \$93 50, are correct; and that it is recommended that they be paid.

They also recommend, as, for good reasons, has been the custom of this Grand Lodge for many years, that the dues of *Hawaiian Lodge*, No. 21, for the year ending July 31st, 1877, be remitted.

All which is respectfully submitted by

GEORGE C. PERKINS,	} Committee.
JOSIAH P. BROWN,	
HIRAM T. GRAVES,	
CHARLES L. THOMAS,	
JONATHAN D. HINES,	

Both which reports were concurred in and the resolution accompanying the first was adopted.

BRO. WILLIAM C. BELCHER, from the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following report :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom were referred certain matters contained in the Address of the Grand Master at the present Communication, have given them attention and report upon them in their order, as follows :—

I. In the matter of *George Washington Lodge*, No. 62, the committee have examined the reports of Bro. FAXON and the Inspector of the district in which that Lodge is situated, and concur in the conclusion of Bro. FAXON that the charter of that Lodge ought not now to be arrested.

II. In the matter of *Maui Lodge*, No. 223, the papers submitted fully justify the conclusion of the Grand Master that there is good reason for the arrest of its charter; and your committee recommend that the subject be referred to him, with power to take such action as shall seem to him most advisable. He can make such further inquiries and give such further instructions as the peculiar circumstances of the case may require.

III. The committee have examined all the papers presented relative to the Grand Lodge of Colon and the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba. These are—

1st. A communication from Bro. BENJAMIN ODIO, as Grand Representative of the "Grand Lodge of Colon," asking recognition of his Grand Lodge:

2d. A communication from Bro. RAMON ILLA, as Grand Representative of the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba," asking recognition of his Grand Lodge:

3d. A printed copy of the minutes of the Masonic Convention held at Havana, on the first day of August, 1876, by which the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba" was formed:

4th. A printed pamphlet containing a circular over the name of R. ILLA, as Representative; an article from the "Dispatch," of November 19th, 1876, by Bro. JOHN W. SIMONS, of New York; an article from the "Sunday Times," of November 6th, 1876, by Bro. JAMES E. MORRISON; and an article from the "Masonic Chronicle," of December, 1876, by Bro. DANIEL SICKLES:

5th. A printed letter of Bro. JOHN W. SIMONS, of New York, to Bro. JOHN S. TYSON, of Maryland:

6th. A report of the Committee on Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Maryland: and

7th. A statement of facts with respect to the two Grand Lodges, by Bro. RAMON ILLA.

None of these documents come to us with any authentication. If these Grand Lodges desire recognition, each of them should furnish us properly authenticated evidence of the regularity of its formation. At present we have no such evidence from or in regard to either; and, asking that the whole matter be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence for the next year, we recommend that the Grand Lodge take no action in the matter at this time.

IV. The Grand Master issued during the year several special dispensations for purposes authorized by the Constitution; and, an examination of the papers showing that in each case his action was fully authorized, your committee recommend that it be approved.

V. In regard to the matter of public installations, your committee agree with the Grand Master that such installations of officers ought not to be permitted, and they therefore propose and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved. That the officers of the Lodges of this jurisdiction shall be installed only in open Lodge and in the Lodge-room.

VI. In relation to Masonic funerals, your committee fully indorse all that the Grand Master says in respect to the proper place of a Masonic Lodge in funeral processions and as to when it may appear in such processions, as well as to the positions to be assigned to other societies at such times; and they hope that the brethren who desire information upon this subject will read the Address.

VII. The subject of the incorporation of Lodges demands more time than the committee can give to it at this Communication. They therefore ask that the portion of the Grand Master's Address relating thereto may be referred to the committee for the coming year.

VIII. If one, who has received the first, or the first and second degrees of Masonry in Missouri, desires to receive the remaining degrees or degree in, and become a member of, a Lodge in California, what must he do?

The Grand Master decided that he must first obtain the permission of the Lodge in which he had been initiated to make the petition, that his petition must be acted upon as other petitions are, and that Sec. 6, Art. III, Part III, had no reference to such a case. His decision was plainly right.

IX. As to the effect of dropping the name of an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft from the roll, your committee agree with the Grand Master that the Lodge in which an applicant is initiated gains, and can retain at its pleasure, control over him as an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft. He cannot apply to another Lodge for advancement without the consent of such Lodge. He may at any time apply for advancement in that Lodge, and he is entitled to receive it if he has made suitable proficiency and no objection is interposed under the provisions of Sec. 6, Art. III, Part III, of the Constitution. The "dropping from the roll," so called, as mentioned in a former regulation, now no longer in force, never meant more than that the names of Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts should not be published in the printed

proceedings more than two years in either of those grades. Their *status* in the Lodge was never affected by that regulation.

XI. As to the effect of charges pending against a Master elect, the Grand Master decided that the pendency of such charges could not debar him from being installed, and that his election gave him the right of installation upon obtaining the proper certificate as to qualification. The committee concur fully in the decision.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM C. BELCHER, }
WILLIAM A. DAVIES, } *Committee.*
LEONIDAS E. PRATT, }

Which report was concurred in and the resolution accompanying it was adopted.

BRO. JOHN C. PARTRIDGE, from the Committee on By-Laws, to whom their report of yesterday was this morning recommitted, again presented that report, without alteration; and, after some further discussion, it was concurred in.

BRO. GEORGE T. BROMLEY, from the Committee on Pay of Members, presented the following report:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, appointed at the last Annual Communication to ascertain “the exact cost of transportation for one person from the location of each Lodge in the State to the place of meeting of the Grand Lodge and back again, and to report such cost of transportation as the sum due to the officers or representatives in attendance from each Lodge;” and also to ascertain “the necessary expenditures for transportation,” to and from the Grand Lodge, of the appointed officers and chairmen of the standing committees, having performed the duty assigned them to the best of their ability, submit the following statement as their report:—

This statement gives the name and number of each Lodge within the jurisdiction; shows the amount of dues paid by each on account of the representative fund; gives the day of the Communication on which each was represented, if represented at all; and presents the amount allowed, where allowance has been made, to each representative, appointed Grand Officer, or chairman of a committee, as follows:—

Name and Number of Lodge.	No.	Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
<i>California,</i>	1.....	\$ 92 00....	Paid.....1st day.....	\$—
<i>Western Star,</i>	“ 2.....	15 25....	Paid.....2d day.....	28 50
<i>Tehama,</i>	“ 3.....	27 00....	Paid.....1st day.....	8 00
<i>Benicia,</i>	“ 5.....	12 00....	Paid.....3d day.....	2 00
<i>Tuolumne,</i>	“ 8.....	22 25....	Paid.....1st day.....	20 00
<i>Corinthian,</i>	“ 9.....	28 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	11 00
<i>San Jose,</i>	“ 10.....	43 50....	Paid.....“ “.....	4 00
<i>Yount,</i>	“ 12.....	19 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	4 00
<i>Nevada,</i>	“ 13.....	29 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	20 00
<i>Temple,</i>	“ 14.....	8 50....	Paid.....“ “.....	3 00
<i>Eureka,</i>	“ 16.....	12 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	13 00
<i>Parfaite Union,</i>	“ 17.....	27 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	—
<i>Mountain Shade,</i>	“ 18.....	12 00....	Paid.....“ “.....	31 00
<i>San Joaquin,</i>	“ 19.....	16 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	7 00
<i>Washington,</i>	“ 20.....	17 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	8 00
<i>Hawaiian,</i>	“ 21.....	—.....	“ “.....	—
<i>Occidental,</i>	“ 22.....	63 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	—
<i>Madison,</i>	“ 23.....	35 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	19 00

Name and Number of Lodge.		Dues to Rep. Fund.		When Represented.		Amt Allowed.
Mariposa,	No. 24	.....	\$9 25....Paid.....	1st day.....		26 50
Georgetown,	" 25	.....	12 00....Paid.....	" ".....		19 00
El Dorado,	" 26	.....	15 75....Paid.....	" ".....		19 00
Trinity,	" 27	.....	17 25....Paid.....	" ".....		42 50
Columbia,	" 28	.....	11 00....Paid.....	" ".....		20 00
Golden Gate,	" 30	.....	48 25....Paid.....	" ".....		—
Mokelumne,	" 31	.....	5 50....Paid.....	—		—
Gold Hill,	" 32	.....	8 00....Paid.....	1st day.....		11 00
Ophir,	" 33	.....	7 25....Paid.....	" ".....		19 00
Santa Clara,	" 34	.....	13 75....Paid.....	" ".....		4 00
San Diego,	" 35	.....	18 00....Paid.....	" ".....		71 00
Saint John's,	" 37	.....	12 00....Paid.....	" ".....		61 00
Santa Cruz,	" 38	.....	24 75....Paid.....	" ".....		10 00
Yuba,	" 39	.....	21 00....Paid.....	" ".....		11 00
Sacramento,	" 40	.....	29 00....Paid.....	" ".....		8 00
Martinez,	" 41	.....	12 50....Paid.....	" ".....		2 00
Los Angeles,	" 42	.....	26 25....Paid.....	" ".....		51 00
Hiram,	" 43	.....	10 75....Paid.....	" ".....		18 00
Mount Moriah,	" 44	.....	59 75....Paid.....	" ".....		—
Crescent,	" 45	.....	9 50....Paid.....	3d day.....		40 00
Texas,	" 46	.....	9 00....Paid.....	1st day.....		9 50
Michigan City,	" 47	.....	9 50....Paid.....	" ".....		21 00
Forbestown,	" 50	.....	13 75....Paid.....	" ".....		25 00
Illinoistown,	" 51	.....	9 50....Paid.....	" ".....		15 50
Suisun,	" 55	.....	19 25....Paid.....	3d day.....		5 00
Volcano,	" 56	.....	9 25....Paid.....	1st day.....		24 00
Santa Rosa,	" 57	.....	28 75....Paid.....	" ".....		4 00
Union,	" 58	.....	35 75....Paid.....	" ".....		8 00
Gravel Range,	" 59	.....	13 50....Paid.....	" ".....		29 00
Phumas,	" 60	.....	12 25....Paid.....	" ".....		35 00
Live Oak,	" 61	.....	31 00....Paid.....	" ".....		—
George Washington,	" 62	.....	5 75....Paid.....	" ".....		20 00
Natoma,	" 64	.....	12 50....Paid.....	" ".....		8 00
Amador,	" 65	.....	11 75....Paid.....	" ".....		17 00
Forest,	" 66	.....	12 75....Paid.....	" ".....		33 00
Morning Star,	" 68	.....	36 25....Paid.....	" ".....		7 00
Enterprise,	" 70	.....	13 75....Paid.....	" ".....		11 50
Nebraska,	" 71	.....	6 00....Paid.....	" ".....		16 00
Bear Mountain,	" 76	.....	6 50....Paid.....	" ".....		17 00
Petaluma,	" 77	.....	18 25....Paid.....	" ".....		3 00
Calaveras,	" 78	.....	7 75....Paid.....	—		—
Humboldt,	" 79	.....	18 50....Paid.....	1st day.....		25 00
Ione,	" 80	.....	13 25....Paid.....	" ".....		16 00
Yolo,	" 81	.....	9 00....Paid.....	" ".....		9 25
Rising Star,	" 83	.....	11 50....Paid.....	" ".....		20 00
Vesper,	" 84	.....	20 25....Paid.....	" ".....		21 50
Saint Mark's	" 85	.....	8 25....Paid.....	" ".....		25 00
Saint Louis,	" 86	.....	12 75....Paid.....	" ".....		35 00
Naval,	" 87	.....	26 75....Paid.....	" ".....		2 00
Quilman,	" 88	.....	9 75....Paid.....	" ".....		20 00
Rose's Bar,	" 89	.....	8 25....Paid.....	" ".....		14 00
North Star,	" 91	.....	10 00....Paid.....	" ".....		54 50
Acacia,	" 92	.....	8 25....Paid.....	" ".....		20 00
Saint Helena,	" 93	.....	11 75....Paid.....	" ".....		6 00

Name and number of Lodge.	No.	Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
Henry Clay,	95.....	\$11 75....Paid.....	1st day.....	\$18 00
Howard,	96.....	11 50....Paid.....	" ".....	63 50
Jefferson,	97.....	5 75....Paid.....	" ".....	32 00
Hornitos,	98.....	7 00....Paid.....	" ".....	22 00
La Grange,	99.....	12 00....Paid.....	" ".....	15 00
Campo Seco,	100.....	5 75....Paid.....	" ".....	13 50
Clay,	101.....	12 75....Paid.....	2d day.....	20 00
Manzanita,	102.....	16 50....Paid.....	1st day.....	26 00
Oroville,	103.....	18 25....Paid.....	" ".....	15 00
Lexington,	104.....	13 50....Paid.....	" ".....	53 50
Arcata,	106.....	8 25....Paid.....	3d day.....	26 50
Owen,	108.....	5 75....Paid.....	1st day.....	62 00
Dibble,	109.....	6 00....Paid.....	" ".....	23 50
Pajaro,	110.....	28 00....Paid.....	" ".....	9 50
Chico,	111.....	24 00....Paid.....	" ".....	17 00
Summit,	112.....	11 00....Paid.....	" ".....	16 00
Eden,	113.....	11 75....Paid.....	" ".....	2 00
Mount Zion,	114.....	3 00....Paid.....	" ".....	29 00
Concord,	117.....	14 50....Paid.....	" ".....	8 00
Clinton,	119.....	5 50....Paid.....	" ".....	32 00
Fidelity,	120.....	42 50....Paid.....	" ".....	—
Ionic,	121.....	9 00....Paid.....	" ".....	20 50
Alamo,	122.....	7 25....Paid.....	" ".....	3 25
Sotoyome,	123.....	18 50....Paid.....	" ".....	6 00
Table Mountain,	124.....	13 50....Paid.....	" ".....	17 00
La Fayette,	126.....	13 75....Paid.....	" ".....	6 00
Hermann,	127.....	26 25....Paid.....	" ".....	—
Visalia,	128.....	26 25....Paid.....	" ".....	29 00
Nicolaus,	129.....	12 25....Paid.....	" ".....	11 00
Woodbridge,	131.....	15 25....Paid.....	" ".....	8 50
Sincerity,	132.....	10 75....Paid.....	" ".....	40 00
Yosemite,	133.....	5 25....Paid.....	" ".....	26 00
Vacaville,	134.....	10 00....Paid.....	" ".....	6 50
Valley,	135.....	10 75....Paid.....	" ".....	9 00
Pacific,	136.....	65 25....Paid.....	" ".....	—
Violet,	138.....	4 25....Paid.....	" ".....	26 00
Crockett,	139.....	21 00....Paid.....	" ".....	—
Curtis,	140.....	8 50....Paid.....	" ".....	8 50
Grafton,	141.....	7 25....Paid.....	" ".....	9 50
Colusa,	142.....	13 00....Paid.....	" ".....	15 00
Franklin,	143.....	6 75....Paid.....	" ".....	5 00
Oriental,	144.....	49 50....Paid.....	" ".....	—
Vitruvius,	145.....	10 00....Paid.....	" ".....	6 00
Abell,	146.....	15 75....Paid.....	" ".....	15 00
Eel River,	147.....	11 00....Paid.....	3d day.....	42 50
Lassen,	149.....	18 00....Paid.....	1st day.....	58 00
Molino,	150.....	10 00....Paid.....	" ".....	20 00
Palmyra,	151.....	16 25....Paid.....	" ".....	19 00
Woodland,	156.....	20 50....Paid.....	" ".....	8 50
Gibsonville,	158.....	11 25....Paid.....	" ".....	35 00
Pilot Hill,	160.....	6 25....Paid.....	" ".....	16 00
Keystone,	161.....	5 00....Paid.....	—	—
Harmony,	164.....	6 50....Paid.....	1st day.....	33 00

Name and number of Lodge.	No.	Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
<i>Excelsior,</i>	166.....	\$35 50....	Paid.....1st day.....	—
<i>Alameda,</i>	167.....	13 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	4 00
<i>San Mateo,</i>	168.....	13 50....	Paid.....“ “.....	2 25
<i>Mission,</i>	169.....	43 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	—
<i>Elk Grove,</i>	173.....	8 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	8 00
<i>Drytown,</i>	174.....	7 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	18 00
<i>Antioch,</i>	175.....	11 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	3 00
<i>Merced,</i>	176.....	8 25....	Paid.....4th day.....	—
<i>Azlan,</i>	177.....	—.....	—.....1st day.....	—
<i>Phoenix,</i>	178.....	15 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	58 00
<i>Mendocino,</i>	179.....	14 50....	Paid.....“ “.....	23 00
<i>Arcturus,</i>	180.....	17 25....	Paid.....3d day.....	—
<i>Russian River,</i>	181.....	12 50....	Paid.....1st day.....	5 50
<i>Meridian,</i>	182.....	6 25....	Paid.....—.....	—
<i>Clear Lake,</i>	183.....	8 75....	Paid.....1st day.....	13 00
<i>Sierra Valley,</i>	184.....	8 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	36 50
<i>Claiborne,</i>	185.....	6 50....	Paid.....“ “.....	18 50
<i>Evening Star,</i>	186.....	10 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	53 50
<i>Keith,</i>	187.....	15 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	7 00
<i>Oakland,</i>	188.....	48 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	—
<i>Latrobe,</i>	189.....	6 00....	Paid.....“ “.....	15 00
<i>Northern Light,</i>	190.....	12 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	36 00
<i>Marin,</i>	191.....	11 50....	Paid.....“ “.....	1 00
<i>Santa Barbara,</i>	192.....	13 00....	Paid.....“ “.....	62 00
<i>Ferndale,</i>	193.....	14 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	30 00
<i>Mountain View,</i>	194.....	6 00....	Paid.....4th day.....	—
<i>Buckeye,</i>	195.....	13 75....	Paid.....1st day.....	7 50
<i>San Simeon,</i>	196.....	7 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	44 00
<i>Wilmington,</i>	198.....	7 50....	Paid.....“ “.....	52 00
<i>Hartley,</i>	199.....	13 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	17 00
<i>Truckee,</i>	200.....	17 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	28 00
<i>Silveyville,</i>	201.....	15 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	7 50
<i>Pentalpha,</i>	202.....	22 50....	Paid.....“ “.....	51 00
<i>Confidence,</i>	203.....	4 00....	Paid.....“ “.....	11 00
<i>Salinas,</i>	204.....	15 00....	Paid.....“ “.....	12 00
<i>Newville,</i>	205.....	8 00....	Paid.....“ “.....	26 00
<i>Stanislaus,</i>	206.....	16 00....	Paid.....“ “.....	9 75
<i>Anaheim,</i>	207.....	10 50....	Paid.....“ “.....	55 00
<i>Rio Vista,</i>	208.....	9 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	3 00
<i>King David's,</i>	209.....	14 25....	Paid.....—.....	—
<i>Friendship,</i>	210.....	17 75....	Paid.....—.....	—
<i>San Benito,</i>	211.....	18 25....	Paid.....1st day.....	8 50
<i>South San Francisco,</i>	212.....	10 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	—
<i>Bodega,</i>	213.....	5 50....	Paid.....—.....	—
<i>San Buenaventura,</i>	214.....	17 50....	Paid.....1st day.....	24 00
<i>Oak Grove,</i>	215.....	8 50....	Paid.....“ “.....	—
<i>Doric,</i>	216.....	21 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	—
<i>Monterey,</i>	217.....	8 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	16 00
<i>Pleasanton,</i>	218.....	10 25....	Paid.....“ “.....	4 50
<i>Speranza Italiana,</i>	219.....	16 50....	Paid.....“ “.....	—
<i>Downey,</i>	220.....	14 75....	Paid.....“ “.....	53 00
<i>Inyo,</i>	221.....	6 50....	Paid.....“ “.....	98 00
<i>Granite,</i>	222.....	8 00....	Paid.....“ “.....	10 00
<i>Maui,</i>	223.....	—.....	—.....	—

Name and Number of Lodge.	No.	Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
<i>Bakersfield,</i>	224.....	\$7 75....	Paid.....1st day.....	\$40 00
<i>Brooklyn.</i>	" 225.....	8 75....	Paid.....4th day.....	—
<i>Hayward,</i>	" 226.....	6 50....	Paid.....1st day.....	3 50
<i>Contra Costa,</i>	" 227.....	8 75....	Paid....." ".....	4 00
<i>Athens,</i>	" 228.....	8 25....	Paid....." ".....	7 50
<i>Solano,</i>	" 229.	17 25....	Paid.....2d day.....	2 00
<i>North Butte,</i>	" 230.....	7 75....	Paid.....1st day.....	13 50
<i>Covelo,</i>	" 231.....	6 50....	Paid....." ".....	30 00
<i>Janesville,</i>	" 232.....	6 50....	Paid....." ".....	56 00
<i>Calistoga,</i>	" 233.....	9 00....	Paid....." ".....	7 00
<i>Hope,</i>	" 234.....	7 75....	Paid....." ".....	41 50
<i>Surprise Valley,</i>	" 235.....	8 50....	Paid....." ".....	87 50
<i>Hill's Ferry,</i>	" 236.....	6 50....	Paid....." ".....	19 00
<i>Guadalupe,</i>	" 237.....	11 00....	Paid....." ".....	40 00
<i>Tyre,</i>	" 238.....	6 75....	Paid....." ".....	17 50
<i>Pescadero,</i>	" 239.....	4 25....	Paid....." ".....	7 75
<i>Equality,</i>	" 240.....	12 00....	Paid....." ".....	15 00
<i>Santa Ana,</i>	" 241.....	8 00....	Paid....." ".....	—
<i>Magnolia,</i>	" 242.....	10 25....	Paid.....1st day.....	62 00
<i>Eucalyptus,</i>	" 243.....	4 75....	Paid.....3d day.....	1 50
<i>Alcatraz,</i>	U. D.....	12 25....	Paid.....1st day.....	—
<i>Laurel,</i>	" ".....	5 75....	Paid....." ".....	20 00
<i>Pomona,</i>	" ".....	4 50....	Paid....." ".....	49 50
<i>Fresno,</i>	" ".....	4 00....	Paid....." ".....	22 75

Total dues to Rep. Fund,....\$3,007 25 Allowances to representatives, \$3,671 50

From the foregoing statement it will be seen that, at the present Communication, one hundred and ninety-four Lodges have been represented, being all save nine. It will also be seen that to thirty-four Lodges no allowances have been made. Of these, twenty—being Nos. 1, 17, 22, 30, 44, 61, 120, 127, 133, 139, 141, 166, 169, 183, 212, 215, 216, 219, 225, and *Alcatraz*, U. D., though they were represented and their dues were paid, are located in this city or its immediate vicinity; eight—being Nos. 31, 78, 161, 182, 209, 210, 213, and 241, have paid their dues but have not been represented; three—being Nos. 176, 180, and 194, have paid their dues but were not represented on the first day, as our law requires, and were not excused; and three—being Nos. 21, 177, and 223, are located without the State and are not chargeable with dues to this fund or entitled to receive anything therefrom. It will be observed, also, that allowances have been made to nine Lodges which were not represented on the first day of the Communication, viz.: Nos. 2, 5, 45, 55, 101, 106, 147, 229, and 243, the representatives thereof having, for good reasons shown, been excused by the Grand Lodge for the lateness of their attendance.

The amounts allowed to the appointed Grand Officers and chairmen of the standing committees, entitled to payment from the Representative Fund, are as follows: to the—

Grand Chaplain,.....	\$ 8 00	Junior Grand Steward,.....	\$ 4 00
Grand Standard Bearer,.....	51 00	Grand Pursuivant,.....	17 50
Senior Grand Steward,.....	40 00	Chairman Com. on Jurisprudence,.....	11 00

Amounting in all to the sum of.....\$131 50
To which add the amount allowed to representatives, as above,.....3,671 50

And there will be a total of allowances at this Communication of....\$3,803 00

The dues for the year ending July 31, 1877, on account of the Representative

Fund, as shown upon the pay-roll, amount to the sum of.....	3,007 25
The balance stated as that which should be to the credit of that fund is....	2,826 75

Making an aggregate amount of.....	\$5,834 00
From which deduct the allowances made at this Communication,.....	3,803 00

And there should remain a balance in the fund of.	\$2,031 00
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From the foregoing it would appear that an increase over last year's assessment must necessarily be levied in order to meet the requirements of the Representative Fund; but, as there will be a very handsome revenue derived from dividends on the stock held by the Grand Lodge in the "Masonic Hall Association of the City of San Francisco" during the present year, your committee think that a tax of twenty-five cents per capita will be sufficient to meet all demands upon that fund for the coming year; and they therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That there be levied upon the Lodges of this jurisdiction, for the current fiscal year, in addition to the dues prescribed by the Constitution, the sum of twenty-five cents for each member borne upon their respective rolls at the date of their annual reports, for account of the Representative Fund, which assessment shall be paid at the same time and in the same manner as is prescribed for the payment of the regular annual dues.

All which is respectfully submitted by

GEORGE T. BROMLEY,	} Committee.
WILLIAM M. PETRIE,	
JOHN WARNER,	

Which report was concurred in and the resolution accompanying it was adopted.

NOTE.—The Committee on Pay Roll and the Grand Lodge appear to have overlooked two things—First, that the balance from last year, nominally to the credit of the Representative Fund, being \$2 826.75, is not now in the treasury, as had been shown in the report of the Grand Treasurer; and, Second—that the moneys to be received by the Grand Lodge for dividends upon its stock in the "Masonic Hall Association" belongs to the General Fund, and not to the Representative Fund. The consequence is that this year \$795.75 has been borrowed from the General Fund to pay representatives, etc., and that next year, at the rate of levy named in the resolution, there will be at least an equal deficit. Under the circumstances the levy should have been fifty cents instead of twenty-five.

A. G. A., *Gr. Sec.*

BRO. WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Grievances, presented the following reports:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry of CHARLES BAER, who was expelled by *Ionic* Lodge, No. 121, on the seventh day of December, 1870, have considered the same and report as follows:—

The petitioner informed *Ionic* Lodge, in 1875, that he was about to apply to the Grand Lodge for restoration. A meeting of that Lodge was held on the fifteenth day of September of that year, at which all the members were notified to be present, and it was voted by more than two-thirds of those present that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted.

The subject came before the Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication, and the Committee on Grievances then reported against the restoration, for the reason that the petitioner had furnished no evidence of his present residence and good character. That evidence he has now supplied, and your committee can see no good reason why his prayer should not be granted. They therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That CHARLES BAER be and is hereby restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

Your committee, to whom was referred the transcript of the trial-record and findings in the case of THOMAS E. GRAY, a former member of *Canyon City* Lodge, No. 34, in the State of Oregon, by *Pentalpha* Lodge, No. 202, which resulted in his suspension from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, have carefully considered the same and report as follows:—

The charge made against the accused is that he applied to visit *Pentalpha* Lodge, No. 202, on the eighteenth day of December, 1876, was duly examined, took the test oath, and did visit said Lodge; and that afterwards it transpired that he had been suspended for non-payment of dues, on or about April first, 1871, by the aforesaid *Canyon City* Lodge. The defense made by the accused is that he left the jurisdiction of *Canyon City* Lodge in the year 1868, that Lodge then owing him a balance of one hundred and fifty dollars advanced by him in the erection of its Lodge building, which debt is fully proven by two members of said *Canyon City* Lodge; that since 1868 he has never returned to the State of Oregon; and that he has never been notified of his suspension or that he was delinquent for dues.

Your committee are of the opinion that the testimony presented in the transcript does not warrant the finding, and therefore offer and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the action of *Pentalpha* Lodge, No. 202, in suspending THOMAS E. GRAY from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, be reversed and set aside, and that he be restored to his former standing as a member of *Canyon City* Lodge, No. 34, in Oregon, reported as suspended for non payment of dues.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS,	} Committee.
SAMUEL G. HILBORN,	
LEWIS F. JONES,	
WILLIAM H. CRANE,	

Both which reports were concurred in and the resolutions accompanying them were adopted.

Bro. N. GREENE CURTIS offered the following preamble and resolution:—

Whereas, this Grand Lodge has repeatedly expressed its disapprobation of the use of Masonic symbols or names for the purpose of advertising private business;

And whereas, it is stated that an impression generally prevails throughout the community that this Grand Lodge is interested in and responsible for the business of the "Masonic Savings and Loan Bank," of San Francisco; therefore it is

Resolved, That the Grand Master be requested to cause to be published, during a period of six months, in the "Alta California" and "Bulletin," newspapers published in the city of San Francisco, and in the "Record-Union," a newspaper published in the city of Sacramento, a notice, over his own name and that of the Grand Secretary, to the effect that this Grand Lodge is not, and never has been, in any way, directly or indirectly, interested in the business or management of the "Masonic Savings and Loan Bank" of San Francisco, or in any banking or other business.

A motion was made that the preamble and resolution be laid on the table; which motion did not prevail.

Bro. WILLIAM BRADFORD offered an amendment to the resolution to the effect that the proper officers of the said "Masonic Savings and Loan Bank" be requested to publish the notice as proposed therein.

so far as it relates to that institution ; and that, should they not commence such publication within thirty days, the resolution should be carried into effect as presented.

Which amendment was concurred in, and the preamble and resolution, as thus modified, was adopted.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until two and a half o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Lodge.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Saturday, October 13th, A. L. 5877. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at two and a half o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

On motion of Bro. JAMES BELL, a collection was taken up for a blind brother, amounting to \$62 50, which sum was placed in the hands of Bro. BELL.

Bro. JOSEPH LIPPMAN offered the following resolution :—

Resolved, That no subordinate Lodge shall be permitted to impose any dues upon its members in the shape of fine or tax for non-attendance at funerals.

Which resolution, after some discussion, was ordered to be laid on the table.

The Grand Secretary read a communication addressed to him by Bro. GEORGE C. HICKOX, relative to matters concerning the Reserve Fund ; which the Grand Master ruled not to be a report from the Trustees thereof, as was ordered by a resolution adopted yesterday.

On motion of Bro. JONATHAN D. HINES, it was ordered that the Grand Treasurer make an examination of the affairs of the Reserve Fund, and report thereon at the next Annual Communication.

Bros. GEORGE C. PERKINS, Past Grand Master, WILLIAM W. TRAYLOR, Senior Grand Warden, and MOSES HELLER, Grand Treasurer, were elected Trustees of the Reserve Fund for the ensuing year.

On motion of the Grand Secretary, it was ordered that eighteen hundred and fifty copies of the proceedings at this Communication be printed.

The hour appointed for the installation of the Grand Officers having arrived, at the request of the Grand Master elect the following

appointments for the ensuing year were read by the Grand Secretary, viz. : as

Grand Chaplain,.....	Bro. JOHN HARMON C. BONTE,....of Union,	No. 58;
Grand Orator,.....	“ THOMAS GUARD,.....of Pacific,	“ 136;
Asst. Grand Secretary,...	“ WILLIAM EDWARD MOODY,...of Occidental,	“ 22;
Grand Lecturer,.....	“ JOHN WERNER SHAEFFER,....of Mt. Moriah,	“ 44;
Grand Marshal,.....	“ HENRY SUMNER SMITH,.....of California,	“ 1;
Grand Bible Bearer,.....	“ SAMUEL GRAYES,.....of Golden Gate,	“ 30;
Grand Standard Bearer,.	“ WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE,...of Sacramento,	“ 40;
Grand Sword Bearer,...	“ BENJAMIN BRUNDAGE,....of Bakersfield,	“ 224;
Senior Grand Deacon,...	“ JOHN SWEANY,.....of Silveyville,	“ 201;
Junior Grand Deacon,...	“ ELLISON LASSELL CRAWFORD,.of Georgetown,	“ 25;
Senior Grand Steward,...	“ THEODORE REISER,.....of Anaheim,	“ 207;
Junior Grand Steward,...	“ RUSSELL PARKHURST,.....of San Simeon,	“ 196;
Grand Pursuivant,.....	“ WARREN GUILFORD HOLMES,.of Owen,	“ 108;
Grand Organist,....	“ SAMUEL DAVID MAYER,....of Occidental,	“ 22;
Grand Tyler,.....	“ JAMES OGLESBY,.....of Excelsior,	“ 166;

And the Grand Officers, elected and appointed, were then duly installed in their respective stations and places by the *M. W. LEONIDAS E. PRATT*, Past Grand Master, the *M. W. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES*, Past Grand Master, acting as Master of the Ceremonies.

The Grand Master announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees for the year :—

On Jurisprudence :

Bro. William Caldwell Belcher,
 “ Gilbert Burnet Claiborne,
 “ William Abraham Davies,
 “ Leonidas E. Pratt,
 “ William Sewall Wells.

On Correspondence :

Bro. William Henry Hill,
 “ James Beazell,
 “ Walter Lee Bransford,
 “ Edgar Mason,
 “ Charles F. Shields.

On Grievances :

Bro. William Thomas Reynolds,
 “ Samuel Greely Hilborn,
 “ Lewis Fuller Jones,
 “ John Chany Partridge,
 “ Henry Hay Knapp.

On Returns :

Bro. Isaac Upham,
 “ Richard Wilson Brett,
 “ John Sims,
 “ Dimsdill Burr Carver,
 “ Omri Bullis.

On Pay of Members :

Bro. George Tisdale Bromley,
 “ Alexander Gibson Oliver,
 “ John Quincy Adams,
 “ Francis Edward Warren,
 “ Samuel Howard Gerrish.

The Grand Master stated that, as ordered by the Grand Lodge this morning, the appointments of Inspectors for the several Masonic Districts would be made on the first day of February next, and that those officers and the Lodges of the jurisdiction should have immediate notice thereof.

The Grand Secretary reported that the Lodges for which charters had been granted at this Communication would be numbered and are located as follows:—

Alcatraz, No. 244, at Oakland, Alameda County;
Laurel, “ 245, at Willows, Colusa County; and
Pomona, “ 246, at Pomona, Los Angeles County.

He also reported that, of the two hundred and three Lodges existing in this jurisdiction at the commencement of this Communication, one hundred and ninety-four had been represented at some time during its continuance.

The several regular and special committees were then called in their proper order, and, they having nothing further to present and no further business appearing, after prayer by the Grand Chaplain and music by the choir, the Grand Lodge of California was closed in *Ample Form*.

JOHN MILLS BROWNE,

Grand Master.

ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL,

Grand Secretary.

1877.		No.	102, dues in full to 31 July, 1877,....	\$	70 00	Gen.Fund.	Rep.Fund.
Aug. 8,	Manzanita,	No. 102,	dues in full to 31 July, 1877,....	\$	70 00		\$16 50
" 9,	Contra Costa,	" 227,	" "				

1877.		Gen.Fund.	Rep.Fund.
" 23, <i>Morning Star</i> ,	No. 68, dues in full to 31 July, 1877,....	154 00	36 25
" 23, <i>Mount Zion</i> ,	" 114, " " " " " " " "....	12 00	3 00
" 23, <i>Eucalyptus</i> ,	" 243, " " " " " " " "....	20 00	4 75
" 24, <i>Janesville</i> ,	" 232, " " " " " " " "....	36 00	6 50
" 24, <i>Trinity</i> ,	" 27, " " " " " " " "....	73 00	17 25
" 24, <i>Cocelo</i> ,	" 231, " " " " " " " "....	47 00	6 50
" 24, <i>Mokelumne</i> ,	" 31, " " " " " " " "....	26 00	5 50
" 25, <i>Hill's Ferry</i> ,	" 236, " " " " " " " "....	26 00	6 50
" 27, <i>Ionic</i> ,	" 121, " " " " " " " "....	39 00	9 00
" 27, <i>Clinton</i> ,	" 119, " " " " " " " "....	26 00	5 50
" 29, <i>Table Mountain</i> ,	" 124, " " " " " " " "....	67 00	13 50
" 29, <i>Bakersfield</i> ,	" 224, " " " " " " " "....	35 00	7 75
" 31, <i>Santa Clara</i> ,	" 34, " " " " " " " "....	58 00	13 75
" 31, <i>Gibsonville</i> ,	" 158, " " " " " " " "....	53 00	11 25
Sept. 1, <i>Plumas</i> ,	" 60, " " " " " " " "....	70 00	12 25
" 3, <i>Mountain View</i> ,	" 194, " " " " " " " "....	24 00	6 00
" 4, <i>Bodega</i> ,	" 213, " " " " " " " "....	30 00	5 50
" 8, <i>Granite</i> ,	" 222, " " " " " " " "....	52 00	8 00
" 8, <i>Tuolumne</i> ,	" 8, " " " " " " " "....	89 00	22 25
" 10, <i>Howard</i> ,	" 96, " " " " " " " "....	46 00	11 50
" 10, <i>Curtis</i> ,	" 140, " " " " " " " "....	36 00	8 50
" 10, <i>Crockett</i> ,	" 139, " " " " " " " "....	96 00	21 00
" 11, <i>Bear Mountain</i> ,	" 76, " " " " " " " "....	29 00	6 50
" 13, <i>Woodland</i> ,	" 156, " " " " " " " "....	85 00	20 50
" 15, <i>Sacramento</i> ,	" 40, " " " " " " " "....	131 00	29 00
" 17, <i>Merced</i> ,	" 176, " " " " " " " "....	34 00	8 25
" 20, <i>Rose's Bar</i> ,	" 89, " " " " " " " "....	36 00	8 25
" 21, <i>Martinez</i> ,	" 41, " " " " " " " "....	55 00	12 50
" 24, <i>King David's</i> ,	" 209, " " " " " " " "....	62 00	14 25
" 25, <i>Santa Ana</i> ,	" 241, " " " " " " " "....	36 00	8 00
" 26, <i>Valley</i> ,	" 135, " " " " " " " "....	47 00	10 75
" 26, <i>Ferndale</i> ,	" 193, " " " " " " " "....	67 00	14 25
" 27, <i>Abell</i> ,	" 146, " " " " " " " "....	82 00	15 75
" 27, <i>Gold Hill</i> ,	" 32, " " " " " " " "....	35 00	8 00
" 27, <i>Sincerity</i> ,	" 132, " " " " " " " "....	56 00	10 75
" 27, <i>Alamo</i> ,	" 122, " " " " " " " "....	36 00	7 25
Oct. 1, <i>Pleasanton</i> ,	" 218, " " " " " " " "....	47 00	10 25
" 2, <i>Laurel</i> ,	U. D., " " " " 30 Sept., "....	45 00	5 75
" 2, <i>Alcatraz</i> ,	U. D., " " " " " " " "....	77 00	12 25
" 4, <i>California</i> ,	No. 1, " " " " 31 July, "....	407 00	92 00
" 4, <i>Pomona</i> ,	U. D., " " " " 30 Sept., "....	24 00	4 50
" 8, <i>Doric</i> ,	No. 216, " " " " 31 July, "....	113 00	21 25
" 8, <i>Phoenix</i> ,	" 178, " " " " " " " "....	75 00	15 75
" 15, <i>Masonic Hall Assoc'n</i> ,	Dividend on 1318 shares stock..	659 00	—
" 16, <i>Alcatraz</i> ,	U. D., fee for charter,.....	50 00	—
" 16, <i>Laurel</i> ,	U. D., fee for charter,.....	50 00	—
" 16, <i>Pomona</i> ,	U. D., fee for charter,.....	50 00	—
" 31, <i>Hope</i> ,	No. 234, dues in full to 31 July, 1877,....	46 00	7 75
" 31, <i>Fresno</i> ,	U. D., " " " " 30 Sept., "....	21 00	4 00

Total amounts received to 31st October, 1877,.....\$14,609 00 \$3,007 25

Making an aggregate sum of receipts of.....\$17,616 25

REPORT

Of Past Master GEORGE T. BROMLEY, G. C. B.,

RELATIVE TO THE GRAND CLAM-BAKE CELEBRATED AT OLD SAUCELITO

On the Tenth day of October, 1877.

BROTHER GRAND SECRETARY:—

I feel highly honored, I do assure you, in being called upon to furnish a report of the proceedings connected with the *Grand Clam-bake Festival* given in honor of the Grand Lodge during its recent Communication. I approach the subject with a consciousness of my inability to grapple successfully with an event of such vast importance to those who participated, as well as of such salutary influence upon the Fraternity at large; and I shall write, therefore, as one who writeth for posterity, remarking that, although this report may not prove to be as flowery or high-toned as some reports, I trust that no person will so trifle with his own life as to question its truthfulness.

If the foregoing "introductory" should not be considered as fully up to the standard, please let me know, and I will "raise" it if it takes my last chip. That's the kind of a Grand Clam-Baker I am.

I suppose that the right thing to do in preparing this report, would be to commence with the speech which I delivered before the Grand Lodge when the invitation to the Grand Clam-Bake was tendered. But it will have to be omitted for the reason that in all human probability the same speech will be delivered at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge; therefore, sufficient be it here to say that, for depth of pathos, soaring eloquence, and brilliant word-painting, it was one of the most remarkable productions which the Grand Lodge had ever listened to. This is the opinion of the Grand Tyler, and as such is entitled to weight, inasmuch as he was on the outside. When the question, "Shall the Grand Lodge accept the proposed invitation?" was put by the Grand Master, one hearty and united voice of approval responded, thus showing that the speech had struck a chord which vibrated in harmony with the appetites of every one present. It *was* indeed a great speech.

On the morning of the eventful day of which I write, the "early bird," out looking for worms, might have observed at North Point dock a group of eight men, who, except for their lofty and independent bearing, might not have been distinguished from the "longshoremen" who congregate in that immediate vicinity. These eight men were the "working force of Past Masters" who had volunteered for the labors of the day; and here, under their watchful supervision, were being gathered the materials which were to make up the bountiful repast. I would be glad to describe the scene as it appeared on that lovely morning; but, as they all had left before the writer of this arrived, it must be left to the imagination of the reader.

At one o'clock, P. M. the magnificent steam tug *Monarch*, placed at the disposal of the writer by the generous courtesy of Past Grand Master GEORGE C. PERKINS, having safely taken on board the joyous crowd, cast off her lines. The captain rang the "go-a-head bell," the man at the wheel put the helm "hard-a-starboard," and the noble steamer, gracefully yielding to the sailor's guiding hand, gently veered to the east-nor'-west, until the smoke-stack and foremast came in range, when

"They steered away, across the bay, to Saucelito's shore."

It would add very much to the interest of this report could I relate the scenes and incidents which occurred during the delightful voyage; but, in consequence of my having gone over early in the morning, I find some difficulty in doing it, and can only say that all arrived in due time at the place appointed, with more appetite in proportion to the number of men than was ever before exhibited on the classic shores of Old Saucelito. Consequently the first course, consisting of stacks of corned beef, cords of boiled ham, and no end of roast chicken, soon, "like the baseless fabric of a vision, left not a wreck behind."

With appetites "conquered but not subdued," and with impatient longings, the waiting host witnessed the laying down of the Clam-Bake; and 'tis safe to say that no corner stone was ever laid with ceremonies so impressive and amid surroundings so awe-inspiring. As no language of mine could faithfully portray that imposing scene, I will pass on to the next act in this drama of Masonic life on the sea shore. This was the second course, consisting of a Sea-Bass Chowder prepared in the highest style of art, and served in a manner that gave to tin plates and iron spoons a dignity which the silver ware of the rich could never reach. And here I may be allowed to say that, could as ample justice be done to the report of those proceedings, as was bestowed upon that chowder, this paper would be one of the most brilliant efforts ever appended to the transactions of this Grand Lodge.

Then followed an intermission of an hour, which was profitably spent in social intercourse and discussing the merits of the refreshments at the stand presided over by Bro. OSCAR LEWIS. Then came the announcement that the time had arrived for the *unwailing of the Clam-Bake*. In a moment the excitement became intense, and it was only by the determined military bearing of Grand Commander GRAVES, promptly assisted by the pious remonstrances of Past Grand High Priest ABELL, that a quiet and extended circle was formed around the steaming and fragrant pyramid.

Order having been at last restored, Grand Master BROWNE was invited by the Master of the Ceremonies to make a few brief and impertinent remarks, in order to give the thing a tone which it might not otherwise possess; and this is what the Grand Master said, or should have said:—

"Illustrious Brother BROMLEY:—I greet you, and, as the Worshipful Master of 'Clam-Bake Lodge,' permit me to congratulate you upon the complete success of this, the first meeting of your new and nourishing organization. You have covered yourself with glory as with a garment, and your subordinates have shown themselves worthy of their chief. I must confess that I am taken somewhat by surprise in being called upon to make an opening speech upon this delightful occasion; yet I do most assuredly appreciate the honor, and I only regret that I am not better prepared to do justice to the subject. I will say, however, that those whom you see around you have known you long and well, and have ever honored your virtues and admired your heroic deeds. But to-day has been exhibited the crowning glory of your accomplishments, and we all feel bound to you with links strong as the iron of which our spoons are made and fragrant as the sausage link which now steams up from yon architectural pile, and which admonishes me to close by wishing success to you and to CLAM BAKE LODGE."

In response to the foregoing, Bro. BROMLEY gave utterance to his pent up emotions in the following words:—

"Brethren, you will bear witness to the becoming modesty with which I have listened to the complimentary remarks of Grand Master BROWNE, and I feel that it would be doing an injustice to him, as well as to myself, did I not acknowledge that those remarks are not only truthful but well deserved. I think I can safely say that no Lodge within this jurisdiction was ever instituted under such glorious auspices as *Clam-Bake Lodge*. Its future is bright and beautiful, and its success is beyond a peradventure. It is written that 'he who rounded St. Peter's dome builded better than he knew;' and he who called into existence the first 'clam-bake' gave, unconsciously, to a world lying in wickedness, the germ of an humanizing influence which will be felt 'until the last syllable of recorded time.' His name should be immortalized, if we only knew what it was; but, being thus in ignorance, we will drink to his memory as soon as we get the conveniences.

"And now, brethren, where in all this wide world could we look upon another such a scene as this? 'History repeats itself.' Centuries have passed away since the building of the Temple, and to-day we have built a 'Clam-Bake'—a coincidence as remarkable as the resemblance is striking. Here are gathered together the admirers of the one and the lovers of the other. Many of these have quaffed their beer with the poor and lowly, and a few of us have sipped our Roederer at the tables of the great and good. Yet, the tables of a king never bore upon their groaning leaves such delicious viands as will soon be revealed to your longing eyes. Beneath this sea-weed mound lies buried all our present hopes. Here the luscious clam opens to welcome its destroyer, and no more will its mysterious hydraulics guide the moon-eyed Chinese to its hiding place. The high-toned sweet potato, as it nestles in its new sea-weed home, disdains Murphy, the common-tater; while the sweet green corn reverses the order of things, and communicates from *ear to mouth*. The fragrant tho' doubtful sausage gives forth no bark if you utter no growl. Here the delicious lamb-chop seems to say that, 'as the lamb-skin is to labor, so is the lamb-chop to refreshment;' and here the gay and festive chicken, having laid its last lay, is laid away to lay no more forever. All these things now lie entombed within this sea-weed sarcophagus, awaiting the signal of the Grand Master to be resurrected and to show to us that, as martyrs in a good cause, they have not lived and died in vain. And now, brethren, we bide the Master's bidding."

The expected signal was not then given; but instead thereof there was a mysterious lull in the proceedings, when Father SAMUEL GRAVES advanced to the center of the expectant circle, and thus delivered himself:—

"Brethren, let us all be thankful that we have lived to see this day. For more than sixty years I have been a Mason. I have rejoiced in the prosperity of the Craft, and when the dark clouds of adversity rolled over it, I have never forsaken it. Through storm and sunshine I have never lost sight of the 'Beacon Light of Hope;' yet of all the varied scenes of my Masonic life, the joyous events of this day will be among those most happily remembered. I shall ever look back upon this occasion with feelings of pleasure only equaled by the anticipation of 'Clam-Bakes' in the time to come. It is not now my province to make a speech, and I will only add that I take great pleasure in introducing to you one whose name is as 'familiar to you all as household words'—Bro. CHARLES L. WIGGIN, our Deputy Grand Master—who I know has something of interest to impart to you."

Bro. WIGGIN then approached the center, heading a procession consisting of himself, and followed by four brethren bearing a table, on which rested an elegant morocco casket containing a full set of ivory-handled cutlery. Addressing himself to the "Clam-Bake Architect," he spoke as follows:—

"Bro. BROMLEY: A very pleasant duty has just been assigned to me, and I hasten to perform it, as the fragrant odors which fill the air admonish me that no idle words of mine should delay the more important matters of which they give us notice. Your fellow-members of the PAST MASTERS' ASSOCIATION, desirous of giving expression to

their feelings of the high esteem in which you are held by them, ask your acceptance of this testimonial. It is in accordance with the 'eternal fitness of things' that one, whose 'well-earned fame hath spread so far and wide' for building up chowders and laying down clam-bakes, should find the reward of merit in this appropriate casket of cutlery. This keen-edged carver, we trust, will enable you to carve your way to a brilliant future, while this splendid fork is significant of that virtue which we hope you may always possess the wherewith to practice, and thus be enabled to fork over whatever may be due. This ponderous *steel* will constantly remind you of your many friends now in the penitentiary, and of the necessity for avoiding such company in the future. Your well-known temperance principles will of course prevent this corkscrew from being of any service to *you*; yet you will, no doubt, be pleased sometimes to loan it to a friend who may need it; and now sincerely hoping that your dinner and dessert for all time to come may be equal to the twenty-four knives here provided. I tender this memento in the name of the PAST MASTERS' ASSOCIATION, and with it their kindest and best wishes for your prosperity and future happiness."

It was evident that this very pleasing episode had taken Bro. BROMLEY completely by surprise, and he seemed for a moment to be somewhat bewildered; but, recovering himself, he gave his hat to the Grand Master, and handing his rake to SAM HALL, it was thus that he responded:—

"Bro. WIGGIN and Members of the Past Masters' Association:—

"I feel that this is one of the most trying moments of my life-time. Had this magnificent testimonial been discovered amid the steaming deposits of this Clam-Bake, my surprise could not have been greater; and now you don't know how proud I feel, nor how powerless I am to do justice to the occasion. I can only say that I accept the splendid gift with a heart brim-full to overflowing with gratitude to the generous givers, and with the hope that all our future associations in life may be as bright and untarnished as the glittering contents of the beautiful casket. Thanking you for this, your kind remembrance, I now invite you all to witness the unveiling of the Clam-Bake."

The discharge of a cannon on board the yacht J. C. COUSINS, Bro. Commodore MENZIES, commanding—moored in the offing—was the signal for the uncovering. To describe the scene which followed would be a task difficult to accomplish. Sufficient be it here to say that never was patient waiting more bountifully rewarded; never were viands more superb—everything "done to a charm;" and the *Clam-Bake* in all its appointments was a pronounced success.

An immense Crab and Crawfish Salad, skillfully and artistically prepared by Bro. LOUIS COHN, "rounded off" the feast, and blending, as it did, in one harmonious whole the vast variety of materials of which it was composed, it was a fitting emblem of an harmonious masonic gathering which will long be remembered with sincerest pleasure by all those who participated.

The return to the city was made joyous by an abundance of sentiment, songs, and speeches. Arriving at the wharf all safe, without the slightest accident to mar the day's enjoyment, a hearty and unanimous vote of thanks was tendered to Past Grand Master GEORGE C. PERKINS, to Commodore STEWART MENZIES, Past Master, to the Saucelito Ferry Company, and to the "working force," for their generous and very valuable assistance in making this, the first meeting of *Clam-Bake Lodge*, an unqualified and unparalleled success.

Thus ended the day. Long may we cherish its pleasant memories and cultivate the feeling of Masonic Brotherhood which such fraternal gatherings are calculated to inspire. So mote it be.

Fraternally yours,

GEORGE T. BROMLEY,

Master of Clam-Bake Lodge and G. C. B.

RETURNS

OF THE

SUBORDINATE LODGES

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF CALIFORNIA,

For the year to August 1st, A. L. 5877.

CALIFORNIA LODGE, No. 1.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Franklin Henry Day, <i>Master,</i>	George Dietterle, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
George Johnson, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Joseph Henry Hilton, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Alison Van Denburgh, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Abraham Halsey, <i>Marshal,</i>
Arthur Simison Peterson, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Alfred William Bradbury, } <i>Stewards,</i>
George Tuttle Grimes, <i>Secretary,</i>	Albion Wilson Starbird, }
Henry Cox, <i>Chaplain,</i>	Ira Colburn Root, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Rector Elisha Cole,	Morris March Estee,	William Thomas Fonda,
Alexander Gurdon Abell,	Henry Sumner Smith,	Edward Engle Eyre,
William Henry Lyon,	Jesse Combes Reed,	George Tisdale Bromley,
William Mason Rundell,	Charles Josephus Prescott,	Jonathan Drake Stevenson,
William Thomas Reynolds,	William Wilson Traylor,	William Jeffray,
George Tuttle Grimes,	William Austin Holcomb,	Edward Waterman Roberts,
John McComb,	Geo. Isaac Nicoll Monell,	Marvin Ham. De Lamater,
John Francis Snow,	Isaac Stanwood Locke,	Horace Halsey Hubbard.

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, James	Badlam, Alexander	Best, William George
Ager, John Edward	Banfield, John Francis	Bilty, Theodore George
Ahlers, John Diedrich	Barrington, George	Bjorkman, August
Ahlgren, Charles Frederick	Battersby, James	Blake, Charles Edward
Allen, William Henry	Baugh, Theodore Elliott	Blake, Henry Herbert
Anderson, David Christian	Bechtinger, Joseph	Blinn, Cyrus Alphonso
Askew, Daniel	Beckford, Daniel Rogers	Blythe, Thomas Henry
Athearn, Chas. Grandison	Berry, Fulton Green	Bowman, John Schmerl

Boyd, Thomas Washington	Dean, Peter	Harding, John
Bradrick, Isaac	DeNoon, Robert Patterson	Harrington, John Conly
Bragg, Robert	DePas, Charles Benjamin	Harrold, John
Bray, John	Deweese, Cornelius, Jr.	Haven, Charles Dwight
Brett, John Robinson	Dewey, William Pierce	Haynes, John William
Brice, William	Dippel, William Gustav	Hely, John Raymond
Bridge, William Edward	Donnelly, John William	Hentrich, Franz Ludwig
Brigham, Calvin Oaks	Dow, Nehemiah Getchell	Hewston, George
Brittan, Nathaniel Jones	Dowling, Thomas Henry	Heywood, William Brewer
Brodhun, Charles	Duncan, James Ransom	Hill, Isaac Leroy
Brooks, Charles Wolcott	Duncan, James Wesley	Hitchcock, Charles McFail
Brooks, Norman Cromwell	Dwinelle, Samuel Hall	Hodge, John Graham
Brown, Roland Gair	Eastman, Frank	Hoffman, Ogden
Brumagim, Mark	Eddy, James Jeffrey	Hotaling, Anson Parsons
Bruner, Wm. Happersatt	Edwards, Justus Huff	Howard, Charles Webb
Bryan, Edward Hord	Elliot, Charles Emery	Howard, George Henry
Bryding, Peter	Elliot, Gardner	Howard, Horace Zerah
Buckbee, Charles Alvah	Elliot, John P.	Howe, George Washington
Buffington, John Mason	Elliot, Washington	Huff, Abram
Buker, Livy Kais	Emerson, Sylvester	Hunt, Henry Brown
Bullivant, Herbert Ellis	Engert, Alex. Francis Chas.	Hunt, Henry Osgood
Bunker, Paul	Ewell, Luther Jerome	Hurley, John
Burke, Martin John	Farish, Thomas Edwin	Ingersoll, George Seco
Callaghan, Charles	Farnam, Edward	Irwin, James
Carson, Thomas	Farquharson, David	Jacobs, William
Chamberlin, Romeo Milton	Farrell, Edward	Jacoby, Julius Herman
Chapin, Dinsmore Davis	Farwell, William Havard	Johnston, Baptist
Childs, George	Favor, Kimbal	Johnston, William
Chipman, Holmes Samuel	Field, Silas Columbus	Jones, Cyrus Winship
Christy, Robert Francis	Finck, Julius	Jones, William Price
Churchill, Clark	Fish, Edward Nye	Julian, John
Clary, William Henry	Foot, Henry Duquesnet	Kaeding, Chas. Van Buren
Classen, James Milton	Foster, Ninian Frederick	Keely, Austin
Clay, Frederic	Franetta, John	Keith, William Henry
Cleary, Thomas Petingale	Frapolli, Battista	Kellett, Samuel
Colbourn, Richard	Fraser, Hugh	Kelso, John
Colvin, Hugh	Gabbs, Albert Steph. Isaiah	Kennedy, Frank
Conner, John William	Garnett, Louis Anacharsis	Kimball, Moses Coombe
Cook, Eli	Garniss, James Rogers	King, Joseph Libbey
Cook, Napoleon Bonaparte	Gayle, Andrew Bowers	Klepzig, John Christ. Erhart
Cordes, Claus Henry	George, Henry Allen	Kohler, Henry
Crawford, Andrew	Gerke, Henry	Kuh, Leopold
Crossman, James Haskell	Gibbs, Josiah Hobbs	Kurtz, John
Cummings, Walter Bailey	Gile, Edwin Tuttle	Ladd, William Frank
Cummings, William Clegg	Good, John	Laird, David White
Curtis, William Fontes	Goodrum, George	Lamb, Thomas Jackson
Dalbey, Edgar Wilson	Gove, Andrew Jackson	Lampe, William Auguste
Dalton, Franklin	Gray, Robert Brockhouse	Landers, John
Daugherty, William Henry	Gray, William	Lane, William Edmund
Davis, Isaac Elphinstone	Grossetta, Martin	Larseneur, Louis
Davis, Jacob Zeigler	Hall, Edward Fitch, Jr.	Lazzarevich, Giovanni
Davis, Milo Smith	Hall, Robert	Lemman, Thomas
Davis, Solomon	Hanscom, William Wallace	Lewis, Edwin
Davis, Solon Hastings	Harbourne, John Wesley	Lewis, Oscar

Litchfield, Joseph Miller	Pettis, William Henry	Stone, Napoleon Bonaparte
Loane, Francis Marion	Phillips, Nathan Fraser	Stringer, William James
Love, David Mantua	Pierce, Owen	Sudden, Robert
Ludlum, Cornelius	Plum, Charles Mortimer	Sullivan, Eugene Lemuel
Lusk, Albert	Pond, James Louis	Sullivan, William Cobb
Malmgren, Niles Peter	Potter, Francis Thompson	Sumner, William Brintnell
Mann, Azro Levi	Preston, John	Suskind, Ernst
Marsh, Andrew Jackson	Preston, Robert James	Sutton, Owen Paul
Marshutz, Leon Charles	Rasmussen, Peter	Swift, James Flitcroft
Martin, Minor Silas	Rey, Jacques Joseph	Swift, John Franklin
Marye, George Thomas, Jr.	Reynolds, Frank Bailey	Taylor, Charles Little
Mau, Henry Albert	Reynolds, Leonard	Taylor, Edward
McArthur, John Andrew	Robbins, Charles Frederick	Taylor, John
McCullough, Hy. V. Schaick	Roberts, Stephen Neal	Thomas, Thomas
McIntosh, Isaac Robius	Roche, James Mullin	Thomson, John
McKenzie, William	Root, Datus Ensign	Thompson, Lucius
McKinstry, Ed. E. Williams	Rowell, Leonard Freeland	Thrall, Henry Homer
McLane, George Milligan	Rulofson, Wm. Harmanas	Tiffany, Robert Joyce
McNear, Geo. Washington	Russ, Henry Beauchamp	Tilton, Charles Stephen
McNulty, Charles Augustus	Russell, Monson	Tingman, John Henry
McNulty, James Madison	Ryan, Michael	Tompkins, Minthorne Mort.
Meaburn, John James	Sanborn, Albion Irving	Trask, Freeman
Melcher, James	Saunmann, August	Tubbs, Hiram
Mikkelson, Rasmus	Savary, Edward	Tucker, John
Miller, James Franklin	Sawyer, Ethan Allen	Tuttle, Joseph
Miller, William J.	Scalmanini, Carlo	Unger, Adolph
Milling, William	Schultze, Richard	Vandewater, William Henry
Mohrhardt, Philip Frederic	Shaw, James G.	Vaughn, Alphonso Hyman
More, Samuel	Shaw, Stephen William	Vizina, Charles
Morgan, John Stillwell	Shiels, William	Waddell, William
Morrison, John Cramer	Simpson, James	Walker, James Greig
Morse, Amos Clark	Sinn, John George	Ward, Isaac Munson
Morse, Ebenezer Eaton	Skidmore, Walter A.	Waters, George Latham
Muller, John	Smith, Ferdinand	Watson, Samuel Butler
Murray, Thomas	Smith, James D.	Weldon, Charles Pearce
Myers, Michael Henry	Smith, Wm. Curtis Randall	Wells, Asa Reynolds
Neal, Charles Sanders	Spaulding, George	Wheaton, Milton Alverd
Neal, William Waterman	Spratt, Joseph	Wheaton, William Rufus
Nickerson, Charles	Spruance, John	White, Silas Ayres
Norris, William	Stadtfield, Jacob	Wiebalk, Nicholas
Osgood, George	Stanley, Samuel Lewis	Williams, William Avery
Otersen, Herman	Stege, John Richard	Wilson, Charles
Page, Benjamin Franklin	Steinberger, John Adam	Wilson Charles Lincoln
Page, Robert Carter	Stetson, William Wirt	Wilson, Duncan Montrose
Parker, Edward Fletcher	Stevens, William Emerson	Winans, Joseph Webb
Payne, Warren Ritch	Stevenson, John	Winship, Thomas Jefferson
Pendergast, Hy. Batterton	Stewart, Alexander John	Wood, William Wood
Pendergast, James Albert	Stewart, Charles Alexander	Young, James
Pendleton, Edwin Street	Stirling, John Frederick	Zimmerman, John Andrew

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ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Woodsum, Oliver Perry—1.

RESTORED:

Buker, Livy Kais

Pond, James Louis

Zimmerman, John Andrew—3.

WITHDRAWN :

Amner, Thomas	Goewey, James Monroe	Lutz, William Edward
Blake, John	La Rose, William Louis	Smerdon, George—8.
Emery, Charles Goodwin	Long, Solomon Hunt	

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Franconi, Louis	Hubbard, Samuel	Sandison, John Alexander
Hitchcock, George Brewer	Russell, George Wilson	—5.

DIED:

Balch, Stephen Moore	Effinger, John Henry	Montagnie, Jos. Edward de la
Craig, William	Freeman, Benjamin Horton	Newman, John
Decker, Jacob	Lane, Edmund	Reynolds, Samuel Ferris—9.

WESTERN STAR LODGE, No. 2.

Shasta, Shasta County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Chauncey Carroll Bush, <i>Master</i> ,	James Freeman Scammon, <i>Senior Deacon</i> .
Clay Webster Taylor, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Pryor, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Drummond Blair, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Horace Weir Green, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Louis Wellendorff, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Edwin Leland Baldwin, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
Adolph Dobrowsky, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Edward Alexander Reid, }
Gunther Frederick Charles Schroeter, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Whiting Griswold West,	Louis Wellendorff,	Alex. Robertson Andrews,
Daniel Porter Bystle,	William Ely Hopping,	Joseph Pryor,
Adolph Dobrowsky,	Chauncey Carroll Bush,	John Witherow.

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, Mortimer Cherbery	Gleaves, James Malcolm	Shuffleton, Hugh Hall
Anderson, Charles	James, John	Shurtleff, Benjamin
Andrew, William	Kelner, William	Souter, John
Ashfield, James	Lord, Ulysses Richard	Swain, Alex. Cartwright
Bickford, William Henry	McKeag, William	Sweet, Henry Andrew
Bossyins, John	Miller, Frank	Syme, John
Carpenter, John	Moore, Joseph	Taylor, Holloway
Chappell, James Nathan	Mount, Arthur Vandevere	Tiffin, Franklin Clark
Coleman, Adoram	Overmeyer, Charles Edwin	Van Emon, James Harvey
Cooper, Samuel	Parker, Elbridge Gerry	Warfield, Robert
Crocker, Everett French	Reagan, James	Watson, William
Downing, Isaac M.	Recardo, John D.	Weil, Leopold
Farquahar, Geo. Carruth	Rumfeldt, Augustus	Whitney, Walter Adams
Ferrier, Michael	Saulan, Andrea	Wilson, Henry Ellis
Garden, John William	Scott, John Varner	Wyatt, Andrew—61.

WITHDRAWN :

Chandler, Frederick Brewster	Hartmann, William Paul	Taggart, Grant Israel—3.
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TEHAMA LODGE, No. 3.

Sacramento, Sacramento County.

*Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

William Buckley Davis, <i>Master</i> ,	John McFetrich, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Lyme M. Potter, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Wellox Sim, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Frederick Conrad Stober, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Robert Collar, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Albert Gallatin, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Frederick Bronner, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Paraclete Potter, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Christian Zeh, }
Peter Zacharias, (of Union Lodge, No. 58,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

John Liness,	George Warren Parkinson,	Edward Frost Taylor,
Robert Collar,	Joseph Richard Webster,	William Buckley Davis,
Albert Brigham Bird,	William Wellox Sim,	Eldridge Lafayette Hawk.

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, Oliver Miller	Fulton, Robert L.	Ratcliff, William M.
Annis, Thomas	Hamilton, Charles Alex.	Roberts, John Henry
Askwith, Albert Charles	Harper, Thomas	Roblin, James Abram
Bailey, George	Harris, Elias Bramon	Rosenfield, Simon
Barrett, John William	Harris, Thomas Spencer	Ryan, John
Bauquea, Joseph	Harrison, Aaron	Sauze, James
Baxter, Adelbert Morris	Hasness, Frank	Scherb, Francis
Benne.t, Albert Austin	Hotchkiss, Fred. Spencer	Shepard, Harper Michle
Bergevine, Nelson Langevin	Huntoon, William Frederick	Skelton, John
Bien, Louis	Hyman, Jacob	Slack, Franklin H.
Briggs, Alfred	Jackman, Samuel Hason	Smith, Thomas Jefferson
Burcham, William	Jones, Jeremiah Solon	Staneart, John Walker
Burrill, David	Keifer, Samuel Michel	Stanton, Perrin
Calderwood, Job Francis	Kunz, Peter	Stubbs, John L.
Chamberlin, Ebenezer	Leitzinger, Melchoir	Taylor, John Brown
Champlain, Nelson	Littlefield, Louis B.	Terry, Rollin Charles
Chapman, George Warren	Lower, William M.	Tufts, Albert Currier
Clark, Daniel Washington	Maier, Jacob Fred. William	Ulp, Alfred
Clark, Thomas Williams	Manning, Albert	Vermilya, Abraham John
Cottingham, Hill'd Pinckney	Markert, Henry Philip	Waltenspiel, Gust. Adolph
Dailey, Charles	Marsh, George Whitfield	Watt, John
Davidson, Joseph Gordon	McCrum, William	Waymaier, James A.
Davis, Jerome C.	McDonald, Robert Henry	Webster, Samuel Excelsior
Davis, William Hewson	Mead, William Harmon	Weinricht, Henry
Dennison, Eli Sherwin	Milliken, Francis Marion	Weismann, Chas. Frederick
Domingoes, John	Montgomery, George	Wetzler, Julius
Durno, Peter	Moses, Howard Adolphus	Wilber, William McEllaney
Ewers, Otto	Oyer, Philip	Willard, David Wright
Fifield, Daniel Black	Poorman, Samuel	Wilsey, Levi
Foster, Mark	Painter, Andrew Jackson	Wratten, James Edward
Foye, Wm. Robinson Smith	Painter, James S.	—108.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Robb, Walter Scott—1.

RESTORED:

Shepard, Harper Michle

Taylor, Edward Frost

WITHDRAWN:

Hanley, James
Jones, Henry

Murphy, Robert Wilson
Shaw, James Burns

Thomas, Edward B.—5.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Jackson, William Franklin

McKinnon, Archibald Campbell—2.

DIED:

Culbert, Alexander Duncan

Maxwell, Francis James

Nelson, Alton Titus—3.

BENICIA LODGE, No. 5.

Benicia, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

George Poor, *Master*,

Frederick Phillip Weinmann, *Sen. Deacon*,

Wm. Robert Campbell, *Senior Warden*,

Richard Westoby, *Junior Deacon*,

Murdock McArthur, *Junior Warden*,

Charles Spaulding, *Marshal*,

John Rueger, *Treasurer*,

John Innes,

Timothy Sage, *Secretary*,

Louis Weinmann, } *Stewards*,

John Housley, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Lansing Bond Mizner,
William Sewall Wells,
Timothy Sage,

Otis Kimball Freeman,
John Grant,
Edwin Danforth,

Thomas McKay,
George Poor,
John Frasier.

MASTER MASONS:

Aitken, George

Long, Michael Henry

Newmark, Valentine

Davis, James Nickles

Mathewson, John

Poillock, Robert

Duckel, Nicholas

Mathewson, William

Potts, James

Filer, Samuel John

McDonald, Archibald

Smith, William Henry

Finch, John Newman

McKenzie, Allen

Stewart, Robert

Harris, John F.

McKenzie, Kenneth

Taylor, Byron Isaac

Jacobs, John Joseph

McKey, Robert H.

Tousaint, Louis

Johnson, Joseph Green

Mounce, John

Trumbull, Charles William

Kelty John W.

Muller, Konrad

Tuttle, Hartson

Kinstry, Thomas

Neate, John

Von Pfister, Edw'd Horatio

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WITHDRAWN:

Keefe, Thomas

Woodbridge, Sylvester—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Hinton, Robert Smith

Thompson, Miron

Westlake, John—3.

TUOLUMNE LODGE, No. 8.

Sonora, Tuolumne County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Edwin Aldrich Rodgers, <i>Master</i> ,	Edward Keil, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Bell, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Moore Hampton, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Dennis Burdett Warfield, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Isaac Justus Potter, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Charles Edward Lang, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alonzo Colby,
Tryon Milton Yancey, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Gustave Rudorff,
Francis Anthony Prassa, <i>Tyler</i> .	

} *Stewards*,**Past Masters:**

Francis Anthony Prassa,	William Giles Long,	Solomon Benas,
Isaac Newton McColloch,	William Davis Newton,	Winslow Hubbard,
James Bell,	John Walker,	John Kendall Underwood.
Frederick Faxon,	Alvin Bacon Preston,	

MASTER MASONS:

Amy, Claud Benoit	Hampton, Edward Matlick	Pinto, Adolph
Arthur, David Bearon	Harriman, Martin Baxton	Priest, William Cadmus
Barlow, Abraham	Haskins, Joseph	Read, George Alexander
Barter, George	Heinold, Leonard	Redmond, John David
Brown, Gurdon	Hender, Samuel John	Reuter, Gustavus Samuel
Brunson, Horace	Jenkins, Richard	Reyland, Phillip Jac. Calix
Bush, George Carroll	Johns, Richard Martyn	Ripperdan, Isaac
Callinan, William	Kahl, Leonard, Jr.	Rocca, Andrew
Congdon, Geo. Washington	Klein, Peter	Rundell, Robert Edward
Conrad, Frederick	Lawson, John	Severio, John
Cowie, John	Leon, Samuel	Sharwood, William
Darrow, William	Madsen, Mads Henrik	Slocumb, John Charles
Divoll, James George	Mills, Albert	Soulsby, Benjamin
Duquesne, Desire Felix	Mitchell, Addison Mills	Soulsby, George Chicken
Eichelroth, William Egidius	Mitchell, Frederick Francis	Stoker, Jacob Richard
Francis, Robert	Mundorf, John	Stone, Leroy Downey
Funck, Samuel	Nockin, Alexander	Turner, William Francis
Gallut, Victor	Parsons, James	Waterhouse, Wm. H'y Har'n
Glasson, William	Patterson, Archibald	Wells, Norfolk Walter
Gramp, Frederick	Penrose, Edward Rippon	West, Thomas Otho
Gundry, Henry	Perry, William Battie	Wildes, Allen
Haag, Adam	Peters, Joseph	Wilson, Richard Montgomery
Hammel, Jesse	Phillips, James	Wyckoff, William—89.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Klefecker, Louis	McNeil, Henry Bascomb	Wilson, William—4.
Martin, Florimon Francois		

RESTORED:

Redmond, John David—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Ackerson, James Franklin	Müller, Eugene	Sevey, David Gilbert
Cavagnaro, John	Lusignan, Francis	Tannahill, James—7.
Fuqua, John Woodson		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Dose, Henry—1.

DIED :

Glynn, William
Marckley, David

McFarland, Matthias Faus

Severio, Francis—4.

CORINTHIAN LODGE, No. 9.

Marysville, Yuba County.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Lemuel Trescott Crane, <i>Master</i> ,	Frank David Hudson, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Harvey, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Ernest Hoeffle, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Driver, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Henry Gerken, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Marcus Marcuse, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Henry Charles Lott, }
Richard Eccleston, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Eugene Barthe, }
	<i>Stewards</i> ,
Thomas Weston Kent, (of Yuba Lodge, No. 39,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

William Caldwell Belcher,	Atkins Clark Bingham,	Edmund Taylor Wilkins
William Caldwell Swain,	Meyer A. Marcuse,	William Fletcher,
Norman Dunning Rideout,	Avery Powers Barnes,	Lemuel Trescott Crane.
Amasa Willey White,	Alexander Gibson,	

MASTER MASONS :

Aaron, Francis Wm. Howard	Eilerman, Bernhard	Irwin, Alex. Campbell
Ansorg, Charles	Ellis, William Turner	Jackson, William
Anthony, Charles Volney	Estelle, Andrew Hilden	Jenkins, George Lindley
Armer, Max	Fairclough, James	Jones, Hugh Colton
Baird, George Hall	Falk, Lewin	Knight, David Edgar
Baker, Timothy	Field, Stephen Johnson	Korb, Jacob
Barrett, Herndon	Foster, John Quincy	Krause, John Howard
Barrie, John Ferguson	Friend, William	Krebs, Herman
Belcher, Edward Augustus	Goodwin, Jesse Olmstead	Lawrence, William Lee
Belcher, Isaac Sawyer	Goodwin, Hannibal	Lindley, Charles
Belding, Lyman	Gwynn, William	Lowery, William Andrew
Bockius, Charles George	Hamlin, Norman Scott	McCormick, Thos. Jefferson
Bomatter, Charles	Hampton, Charles Cecil	McDaniel, John
Brain, James	Harrington, Christ'r Clark	McDaniels, Rich'd Harrison
Cady, Martin Kellogg	Hempstead, Wm. Chas. F'k	Mitchell, Henry Keller
Caldwell, Arthur Brooks	Henry, John	Murrill, John Thomas
Carr, James E.	Herbert, James Thomas	Nettleton, William Henry
Chandon, Joseph John	Hobson, John Elliot	North, George
Clark, Hiram Alfonzo	Hochstadter, Adolph	Parker, Theodore Rosevelt
Cohn, Morris	Hochstadter, Simon	Payne, Sumner
Decker, Peter	Holland, George	Pengally, Robert Wiley
Dougall, Thomas	Hubbard, Corn's Van Dyke	Phillips, Joseph
Ekland, John Peter	Hudson, Edward Henry	Prescott, Danforth
Elder, George Washington	Hutchings, Samuel Cole	Prescott, Geo. Washington

Raynolds, John	Simpkins, Charles Henry	Weinlander, Edward
Read, James	Stanwood, Richard Goss	White, Alexander
Reece, Thomas White	Starr, Abraham Dubois	Wiley, Amasa Parker
Reilly, Edward James	Strohm, Thomas	Williams, William Loyd
Scrage, Anthony	Teegarden, Eli	Wimberley, William Alex.
Schreyer, Henry	Tomb, Jacob	Woodrow, Edgar
Schroeder, Henry Christian	Trayner, James	Woods, Mattison.—115.
Schulenburg, Adolph	Wallace, Henry Kilburn	

FELLOW CRAFTS :

Eckert, William Robert	Lieber, Wilhelm—2.
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ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Russell, J. Jerome—1.

RESTORED :

Bourne, George Jesse	Christie, Oliver Henry	Robinson, William—3.
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WITHDRAWN :

Bourne, George Jesse	Heath, George	Robinson, William—4.
Christie, Oliver Henry		

DIED :

Carey, Michael	Rubel, Christopher	Whitesides, Ninian Foster
Filkins, Charles Edward	Smith, John	—5.

SAN JOSE LODGE, No. 10.

San Jose, Santa Clara County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Samuel Watson Boring, <i>Master</i> ,	Wilson Hays, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Morgan Strange McMahan, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	William Henry Owens, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Alonzo Bobbitt Hamilton, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Wilbur Justus Willcox, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Edward Ham Guppy, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alexander Smith Knox, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles Wesley Dix, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Harry Barling, }
George William Foote, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Fered Sanford Coffin, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Benjamin Cory,	Henry Olp Weller,	William Nicholas Castle,
John Bankson Hewson,	Dolphus Skinner Payne,	Wm. Bensley Shoemaker,
Henry John Haskell,	Hugh Johnson Bradley,	Samuel Watson Boring.
William Alex. January,		

MASTER MASON :

Adel, Wilmer Thomas	Beach, Carmi Warren	Briggs, Joseph Warren
Anderson, Philip	Beach, Tyler	Brown, Jeremiah Yancey
Allsopp, Jas. Pons. Carleton	Beans, Thomas Ellard	Brownell, Lyman Ackley
Appleton, Morris	Belden, Josiah	Bryant, Berryman
Archambault, Joseph	Berce, Joseph	Buckner, Richard Boliver
Ayer, Samuel Freeman	Bluett, Philip	Cahill, John
Bailey, Daniel Copps	Blumenthal, Marx	Canney, Joseph Daniel
Baker, George Frank	Bodley, Thomas	Capt, Gustave
Ballou, John Quincy Adams	Boschken, Jacob	Carey, Francis Marion
Baltz, Peter	Bourdence, Pierre	Castle, Isaac Nelson
Barkley, Andrew Shanklin	Breyfogle, Charles Wesley	Chopard, Louis
Barnhisel, Lewis	Breyfogle, William Osman	Clarke, Charles

Clarkson, Alex. Quarrier	Ingram, William	Owens, James J.
Clayton, James Atkinson	Jacobson, Raphael	Page, Chas. Henry Robert
Connor, Edward Popejoy	James, Charles Hodge	Papson, William
Courter, Henry Farley	Johnson, John Hiram	Parkin, William
Craw, John Palmer	Jones, Leon Erskine	Peck, Abijah Wheaton
Crowell, Martin Luther	Jones, William G.	Perry, George
Curtiss, Charles Skinner	Kent, Sherman	Pomeroy, Abraham Ehle
Curtiss, Sam'l Southmayd	Kilbin, Joseph Francis	Powell, Frederick
Daugherty, William Wallace	Kottinger, John William	Pozzo, Francisco
Delmouley, Antoine	Laurilliard, Henry	Poulaine, Augustine
Duff, John	Lepesch, John	Priest, Richard Turner
Easterday, Sol. Warren	Lewis, James Ballard	Reed, Elliott
Ellis, William Fred	Linoberg, Louis	Reynolds, Geo. Washington
Fallon, Thomas	Lion, Lazar	Rich, Jacob
Fee, George Washington	Loryea, Joseph	Rinaldo, David
Feist, Felix	Lowe, Ralph	Roberts, Return
Field, Walter	Lubliner, Morris	Robinson, Elijah Kennedy
Finch, James Brown	Maffre, Hypolite	Roche, Peter
Freeman, Thomas Alston	McCabe, Philip Thurman	Rowley, Albanus Bellger
Gardner, David Boyd	McCloskey, Thomas	Rucker, Joseph Edmunson
Gault, Thomas	McGrath, John Joseph	Schoenlicht, John
Geach, John Sowden	McKenzie, Donald	Scott, Joseph
Geach, William Edward	McKenzie, Donald S.	Sexton, William
Gebler, Theo. Aug. Henry	McKenzie, Roderick	Shaw, Joseph Nathan
Gerdes, John Christian	McMurtry, William Sharpe	Sim, George
Gladewitz, Christian David	Messing, Henry	Skow, Hans Christian
Golden, John	Meyers, Francis	Spring, Thaddeus Warsaw
Gregory, Henry C.	Middleton, Joseph Traill	Stephens, Columbus Cecil
Grey, William	Minor, Peter Overton	Stockton, Nathaniel Hiram
Guerrey, John David	Moser, Jacob	Summers, Robert
Hagedon, Charles Luther	Mott, John	Swartz, William McDowell
Harper, Richard Bailey	Moulton, Stillman Augustus	Taylor, William Stuart
Harris, Will Frank	Newhall, Sylvester	Tillotson, Harlan
Hollenbeck, Walt. Morrison	Noell, Richard	Topham, Edward
Hooker, Albert Oliver	Norton, Henry Brace	Warling, Olof
Hosking, George	O'Brien, Maurice	Wilber, Robert E.
Houghton, Henry Albert	O'Haulon, Robert Terence	White, James Augustus
Howland, Benj. Franklin	Olinder, Carl Ferdinand	Williamson, James
Incagnone, Antonio	Overshiner, Gideon Jackson	Willoughby, Mathew—174.

RESTORED :

Blasdell, Enoch W.—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Bettinger, Jacob	Cortissez, Aaron Jacob	Lewis, Charles Augustus
Blasdell, Enoch W.	Gillooley, Lawrence Burk	Matraw, Benjamin Franklin

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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Atwater, Philipp	Brown, Jacob Newton	Hayes, Nicholas
Ball, George Washington	Dunlap, James M.	Ingram, George Alexander
Biggs, Alexander David	Harris, John	Nativel, Theodore Constant
Blackman, William Empey	Harwood, William Arthur	Wiley, Charles Franklin—12.

DIED:

Brignole, Guiseppe

Monteverde, Manuel Giovanni

Powell, John—3.

EXPELLED:

Newman Bleistein—1.

YOUNT LODGE, No. 12.

Napa, Napa County.

Stated Meetings, first Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Finis Ewing Johnston, <i>Master</i> ,	Thomas Derry, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Nelson Marble, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Hunter, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Derrel Beard, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Charles Henry Allen, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Peter Van Bever, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Daniel Burrell Parks,
Barton Hezekiah Gorton, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Henry Holladay,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
Amos Smith Knapp, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Henry Hay Knapp,	William Jardin Clayton,	William Bradford,
Robert Crouch,	William Henry Holladay,	Ralph Ellis.

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, Robert Barrow	Grigsby, Achilles Fine	Plass, Philip
Allen, John	Grigsby, Alfonzo Lafayette	Pond, Milo Bushnell
Amstutz, Henry Louis	Griswold, Isaac Henry	Priest, Joshua James
Andrews, William	Hass, David Leopold	Richie, Mathew G.
Briggs, Sebrà	Haas, Martin Luther	Robinson, Bebee
Bustelli, Gottardo	Haas, Solomon L.	Robinson, Joseph Lilburn
Calleway, Sampson Horatio	Harrison, Samuel	Sampson, Andrew
Clark, George Washington	Helm, William James	Shaw, Matthew
Cohen, Morris	Hemenway, Frederick	Smith, Nathaniel Woodhull
Colman, Frederick William	Horstmeyer, Henry Conrad	Smith, Wm. Court. Schenck
Cooper, Luther Blake	Howell, Joseph	Stoney, Thomas Porcher
Corwin, Louis Marion	Hull, Andrew Jackson	Swift, John Jackson
Creeley, Isaac	Irwin, Edward	Symnes, Richard Hutchinson
Davis, James Richardson	Kimball, Edwin	Truebody, William Alex.
Eggleston, William	Long, Reuben	Turner, Frederick Henry
Elles, Theodore	Lyle, Peter	Walker, Abner, Buell
Ellis, Frederick Plummer	Martin, Thomas Marcom	Walker, Calvin Bowers
Everts, Charles Nicholas	McLellan, Joseph Alex.	Watson, John
Finnel, John	Miller, Francis Asbury	West, Robert
Ford, George Wellman	Pinkham, George Grafton	Wilson, James Cannon
Giles, Frederick N.	Plass, Charles Winson	Zollner, John Frederick

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ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Knudsen, Andrew	Robinson, Thomas Alexander	Sanderson, Robert—4.
Myer, Frederick		

WITHDRAWN:

Brown, William Reed—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Clinkinbeard, Andrew Jackson

Parker, Rufus—2.

NEVADA LODGE, No. 13.

Nevada, Nevada County.

*Stated Meetings, second Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Ianthis Jerome Rolfe, <i>Master</i> ,	Thomas Mein, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Ole Amos Nelson, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Silas Osoro Whiting, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Jacob Lafayette Holland, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	William Gilbert Richards, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Martin Luther Marsh, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Christian C. Weisenburger,
John Herbert Boardman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Curnow,
George Ransom Davis, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	William Holmes, <i>Tyler</i> .

} *Stewards*,**Past Masters :**

John Randolph McConnell,	Thomas Hubbard Caswell,	Niles Searls,
Thomas Porter Hawley,	John Caldwell,	Ianthis Jerome Rolfe.
William Cooper Randolph,	Franklin Ennis,	

MASTER MASONS :

Adair, Isaac	Goldsmith, Abraham	Paré, Camille Alfred
Allan, George Grant	Guscetti, Battista	Pedroncini, Alberto
Ashburn, Hans Arent	Hale, Horace	Preston, Edward Myers
Barton, William	Hankin, Charles Henry	Rich, Charles Ephraim
Beckman, Christian	Hart, John Wesley	Rich, Daniel Alexander
Bennallack, James	Herzinger, John	Richards, Phillip
Bigelow, Edwin Wells	Hocking, John	Richards, William
Bolton, Charles Harrison	Hughson, Palmer Eliakim	Roussin, Charles Adrien
Brown, John Earl	Hunnerfauth, Peter	Sargent, Aaron Augustus
Buffington, John Mason, Jr.	Hunt, Robert Menzo	Schardin, Hubert
Burrington, Albert	Huntley, Elijah	Scott, George Washington
Camacho, John Gomez	Jacobs, George Farrand	Seibert, Nicholas
Casper, Kaskil	Johnston, William John	Siddles, Milan Burchard
Chapman, Allen	Kent, William	Sloan, Alexander
Clemo, William	Kitts, James	Stansfield, Halstead
Cooper, George Francis	Kistle, William Henry	Stoddard, Orlando
Crandall, Orman	Klingenspor, Charles	Stowers, Nathaniel Henry
Curtis, Thomas	Locklin, James Curtis	Tallman, Geo. Washington
Davenport, Samuel Breck	Loring, George Henry	Tam, Antonio
Dean, Edward David	Lyford, Charles Albert	Tellam, Frederick
Dickson, John Hutton	Maltman, Charles Seamore	Thomas, Edward B
Dillon, Thomas Edward	Marsh, Daniel	Thomas, Joseph
Dodge, George	McAllister, Fred'k Henry	Thorndike, John Hall
Donald, James	McCutchan, Robert Givan	Tilley, Edwin
Duryea, William Henry	McElvy, Charles	Todd, Joseph
Eddy, Samuel James	McKinney, David Jamieson	Tower, Alonzo Douglas
Evans, John	Mitten, John	Tozer, Charles Warren
Faull, George	Morris, John Fairfield	Tremaine, Richard
Flagg, Jacob Redding	Morrison, Robert Bryson	Turner, George Edward
Fleming, Joseph Davenport	Morrison, Sam'l McCormick	Weber, Nicolas
Floyd, William	Noffziger, Jacob	Wing, Rodney
Gentry, Richard Benton	Nichols, Samuel	Williamson, Levi
Giles, Timothy	Nivens, Archibald	Wilson, Andrew Boyd—119.
Glasson, Joseph		

RESTORED :

Kistle, William Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Lee, Benjamin Bruce
Niles, Addison Cook

Thom, David, Jr.

Van Emon, James Harvey—4.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Caldwell, John Isaiah—1.

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT :

Barr, Thomas Miller—1.

DIED :

Black, William—1.

TEMPLE LODGE, No. 14.

Sonoma, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

David Burris, *Master*,Peter Love McGill, *Senior Deacon*,John Jacob Stofen, *Senior Warden*,Dugald McKillop, *Junior Deacon*,Charles McHarvey, *Junior Warden*,William Albert Berry, *Marshal*,Montgomery Paxton Akers, *Treasurer*,Geo. Heinrich Ludwig Litzius, } *Stewards*,Eben Witham Wilbur, *Secretary*,

George Milton Wells,

Mark Wooster, *Tyler*.

Past Masters :

Andrew Perry Jackson,
Willis Catlit Goodman,

Charles Hardy Dillon,

Eben Witham Wilbur.

MASTER MASONS :

Akers, Stephen

Haraszthy, Attila Frederic

Sephton, Hugh

Box, Samuel Powell

Hollman, Arnold Const'e

Stofen, Peter Nicolas

Bradford, Ward

Johannsen, Lud'g Matthias

Suhrbier, John Joac'm Hans

Burris, William

Levy, Bernard

Thompson, Peter Henry

Chandler, John Allen

McConnell, William Ellit

Warfield, Jacob Bigelow

Cutter, Ephraim Pierce

Moore, Richard Daniel

Williams, Joseph Anton—34.

Davisson, Daniel D.

Pauli, Gustave Theodore

FELLOW CRAFT :

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Agn w, Samuel Jasper—1.

Halloran, Edward

Sparks, George Washington—2.

EUREKA LODGE, No. 16.

Auburn, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Edward Frederick Holle, *Master*,Charles John Hellwig, *Senior Deacon*,William Barter, *Senior Warden*,George Hartley Knowles, *Jun. Deacon*,William Brown McGuire, *Junior Warden*,Thomas Dickinson, } *Stewards*,David Wlademar Lubeck, *Treasurer*,

James Keena,

John Mathias Fulweiler, *Secretary*,John McBride, *Tyler*.

Past Masters :

John Riggs Crandall,
Jacob Hart Neff,

Walter Benjamin Lyon,
Orrin Whitcomb Hollenbeck,

Charles John Hellwig.

MASTER MASONS :

Afleck, Edward
Boggs, John Craig
Borland, James
Caddy, Peter Francis
Campbell, John Henry
Coyne, John Franklin
Crosby, Charles Chase
Crutcher, Wm. McDowell
Dana, Lester Freeman
Edwards, David
French, Harvey Robert
Greene, William George

Griffith, Griffith
Holder, John
Houn, George Washington
Lanyon, Cyrus
Laven, James Andrew
Morrissey, Christopher
Mullen, William Henry
Mears, Josiah
Predmore, Gerra Bretton
Rice, Daniel Austin
Roberts, Robert William
Russing, Edward S.

Sendholm, Matts
Severance, William Wallace
Smith, Edwin Guy
Smith, Louis Gailou
Spear, David Wentz
Starbuck, John Boardman
Swan, Charles Johnston
Wardwell, Jarius Vespasian
White, John Miles
Whittemore, Adrian Stores
Willis, James Riley—49.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Elfendahl, Earnest—1.

RESTORED :

Houn, George Washington—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Lux, Francois Antoine

Winders, John Robert—2.

DIED :

Smith, William—1.

LOGE LA PARFAITE UNION, No. 17.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Dominique Germain Lucien, *Maitre*,
Phillippe Sabatié, *1er Surveillant*,
Léon Blum, *2de Surveillant*,
Pierre François Masson, *Tresorier*,
Michel Lebatard, *Sécrétaire*,
Antoine Ricard, *Orateur*,

Frédéric Lagrange, *1er Diacre*,
Alphonse Astorg, *2de Diacre*,
Anatole Lobe, *Marshal*,
Jean Christian Blaser, } *Maitres de*
Adolph Eisenberg, } *Cérémonies*,

Ira Colburn Root, (de la Loge *California*, No. 1.) *Couvreur*.

Past Masters :

Pierre Bonis,
Louis Bresse,

Pierre François Masson.

Dominique Germain Lucien.

MASTER MASONS :

Alexandre, Joseph
Alexandre, Théodore
Ashton, Charles
Auradou, Jules
Ayhens, Léon
Barada, Laurent
Bazan, Ferdinand
Belcour, Jules
Berton, Flavien
Berton, François
Boudin, Louis Charles
Boisse, Gaston

Bruggemann, Henry G.
Bruggeman, Henry F.
Buffandeau, Emile
Cantel, Louis
Carpy, Charles
Casamajou, Jean Auguste
Cazeaux, Dominique
Cazentre, Jean
Chamonat, Emile
Chauché, Adrien George
Chevannier, Armand
Daney, Michel

Dazet, Jean Baptist
Decourtieux, Amand
Dejean, Léon
Delange, Jacques
Demousset, Nicolas
Deney, Ernest Michel
Deville, Jean
Dimmer, Nicolas
Dingeon, Léon
Dolet, Auguste
Douet, André
Durrout, Joseph

Fossard, Amable	Levy, Bernard	Revert, Alphonse
Frank, Isidore	Ligon, Leopold	Robinet, Eugène
Gagnon, Jean Baptiste	Lücke, Henri	Roggia, Jean Thomas
Geantit, Alphonse	Lyons, Ernest Gabriel	Roos, Adolphe
Ghirardelli, Dominico	Maison, Léon Achille	Roturier, Charles
Grégoire, Louis	Mani, Alexandre	Rouge, Vincent Louis
Grisar, Emile	Masson, Joseph	Sainsot, François
Grosso, Constantino	McLaughlin, Moses Alfred	Salomon, Sylvain
Guittard, Etienne	Mihy, Louis Jules	Samouillet, André
Guth, Christian	Mooser, William	Seibel, Frédéric
Hallgarten, Benoit	Nola, Leo	St. Denis, Jules de
Hermann, Jean Baptiste	Payen, Louis	Terrien, Thimoléon
Hoffman, Simon	Payot Henri	Tissot, Jean Claude
Huguenin, William	Pécheu, Pierre	Touya, Antoine
Kaplan, Hyman	Péguillan, Eugène	Venard, Pierre Guillaume
Lebert, Victor	Pérès, Louis	Vermeil, Jean Louis
Lelièvre, Adolphe Eugène	Puyou, Bernard	Vidon, Paul François
Lemardelay, Armand	Quinquinet, Antoine	Villégia, Léopold
Lenormand, Léon	Raclet, Guillaume	Weill, Raphaël
Letroadec, Louis	Redeuilh, Emile	Willars, Léon—109.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Ayhens, Paul Joseph—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Esmonin, Clement—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Fourché, Charles

Paymal, Jules—2.

DIED :

Carrère, Jacques—1.

MOUNTAIN SHADE LODGE, No. 18.

Downieville, Sierra County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Benjamin Pauly, <i>Master</i> ,	Henry Spaulding, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Adolph Cohn, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Frank David Soward, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Strange, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Miles Barrett, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Lewis Byington, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John August Blom, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Ryan, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Michael Jacobs, }
Jacob Rinkin Rodgers, <i>Tyler</i> ,	

Past Masters :

Leonidas E. Pratt,	Alexander Thom,	James Brown Crooks.
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MASTER MASONS :

Alexander, James Romsey	Cooper, Samuel D.	Hartling, Valentine
Asher, Alexander Branch	Davidson, Samuel Bates	Jones, Robert John
Backer, Henry	Denmire, Aden	Lewis, Jacob
Berg, Joseph	Erschbacker, Frantz Ant'ne	McGuire, Andrew John
Bernhardt, Lewis	Forbes, Robert	Meroux, Jean Marie Bon
Chappuis, André	Gray, Charles	Mulholland, Robert Smith

Owens John Foulkes	Shafer, Sheldon Woodruff	Ware, Lawrence
Perkins, William	Spanseil, Charles	Weil, John Joseph
Pickens, Alexander	Thatcher, Isaac Worlds	Whitney, David Livingstone
Purdy, Henry Haddon	Thomas, Henry	Wilbourn, William
Scott, John	Treat, Charles Lewis	Williams, Richard Hugh
Seron, Pierre Louis		—48.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Mowry, Lewis—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Kime, James Henry	Stewart, Samuel Curtis	Vaughn, Jerome Abine
McBride, Reuben Riley	Thatcher, Peter	Ward, William—7.
Ogesta, Michael		

DIED :

Shimmel, Jacob—1.

SAN JOAQUIN LODGE, No. 19.

Stockton, San Joaquin County.

Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Isaac Lothrop, <i>Master</i> ,	Joseph La Rose Phelps, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,	
John Adams Hosmer, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Henry John Hughes, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,	
Harvey Stevens Barnes, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Julius Steiny, <i>Marshal</i> ,	
William Graham, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Thomas,	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles Augustus Ruggles, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Benjamin Pierce Batchelder,	
Thomas Driver, (of <i>Morning Star</i> , No. 68,) <i>Tyler</i> .		

Past Masters :

Gilbert Burnet Claiborne,	William Abraham Davies,	William Graham,
Edward David Kalisher,	Alexander Chalmers,	Sargent Smith Littlehale,
Timothy Winn Newell,	Charles Augustus Ruggles,	Minord Sprague Thresher,
Frank Stewart,	Isaac Sutvene Titus,	Edwin Brown Sherman.
Sidney Newell,		

MASTER MASONS :

Bargman, Hermann Jansen	Dunbar, Sylvanus G. S.	Peters, Joseph D.
Belding, Charles	Eldridge, Edward Duane	Roseman, Ferdinand
Bennett, Charles	Fraser, Philip Barry	Rothenbush, Christopher
Black, Houston	Hodgkins, Henry	Seilnacht, Frank
Brown, Albert Gallatin	Huggins, Francis Jones	Smith, George Falkenbergh
Brown, James Ewing	Hunter, Josiah	Smith, James Caldwell
Brutschy, Charles	Jackson, John Robert Scott	Smith, James Winn
Buckley, William Samuel	James, Jefferson Gilbert	Stevenson, Robert Watkins
Caine, John	Johnson, Peter	Taylor, Charles Edwin
Chalmers, George	Littlehale, James	Taylor, Hugh Woodruff
Conkelman, Bernard	Moore, William	Tilghman, George
Daniels, James Moore	Munter, Aug. Fred. Wilhelm	Waterman, Sylvanus Dexter
Devoll, Henry Howard	Norton, Edward	Weaver, Henry Wittmer
Dohrmann, Chas. W. C. Otto	O'Brien, John Henry	Woods, Samuel Mosley—65.
Driscoll, Jeremiah	Parker, Royal Bellows	

RESTORED:

Daniels, James Moore—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Finley, William Asa—1.

DIED:

Cottle, Melville

Kelsey, John Milton

Shaefer, Jacob K.—3.

WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 20.

Sacramento, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Edwin Glover, <i>Master</i> ,	Elias Rath, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Robert Kerr Wick, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Samuel Nathan, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Harry Owen White, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Lewis Herndon, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Gabriel Haines, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Stephen William Butler, }
Lewis Clifford Jordan, <i>Secretary</i> ,	
Peter Zacharias, (of Union Lodge, No. 58,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Nathaniel Greene Curtis,	Myron Hatch Renwick,	Gabriel Haines,
Hamilton Carter Harrison,	Erwin Platt Starr,	Samuel Frank.
Leonard Goss,	Justin Gates,	

MASTER MASONS:

Akerman, Albert	Elkus, Louis	Marvin, Frank William
Andrews, Asa Pomeroy	Felch, Walton Cheever	McGrew, John
Avery, Ira	Gates, Daniel Virgil	Ochsner, John
Backus, Gurdon	Glover, Joseph Terry	Pacheco, Romualdo
Bannester, Thomas	Goods, James Carey	Patterson, Arnold Duncan
Bergman, Martin Laurons	Gurney, Charles William	Putnam, George Alford
Block, Maurice	Harrison, Robert	Redding, Benj. Barnard
Breuner, John	Haskell, Dudley Haines	Rutledge, Robert
Budd, Henry	Harbison, John S.	Smith, Frank
Bunner, Andrew Jackson	Hardy, James P.	Strobridge, Tullius Wash'n
Callaghan, Daniel E.	Hoag, William Moffet	Van Heusen, Henry
Clunie, Thomas Jefferson	Holland, James	Wachhorst, Hermann
Constine, Louis	Hutchinson, Champ'n Israel	White, Edward Franklin
Cook, Frank Herbert	Johnson, Hiram Warren	White, John Z.
Crowell, Wentworth Tyler	Keeber, Jacob	Williams, Llewellyn
Day, James Thompson	Libby, Warren Thompson	Woolley, John
Deal, Samuel	Lord, Joseph Dennis	Young, John Nellis—69.
Denton, Nehemiah Nichols	Madden, Jerome	

RESTORED:

White, John Z.—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Oakley, Peter Eager—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Brown, John Newell	Goldberg, Harris	Welbourne, Lambert C.
Constine, Abraham	Halley, John Charles	Willett, Edward Walter—6.

DIED:

Valliant, Adam Clark—1.

HAWAIIAN LODGE, No. 21.

Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS :

David Kay Fyfe, <i>Master</i> ,	Robert More, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Luther Wilcox, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Halliday McLean, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Hugh McIntyre, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Edward Strehz, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Frederick August Schaefer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Fred. Wil. Theodor Toel, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles Thomas Gulick, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Love, }
John Henry Bruns, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

George Williams,	William Fessenden Allen	Albert Francis Judd,
Alexander Joy Cartwright,	Cornelius Stevenson Bartow,	David Kay Fyfe.
Abraham Fornander,	John Adair Hassinger,	

MASTER MASONS :

Adams, Edward Payson	Haley, Nelson Cole	Parke, William Cooper
Austin, Stafford Lapham	Harrison, John Henry	Parker, Samuel
Burns, Henry Burnhard	Heuck, Theo. Christopher	Paty, John Henry
Campbell, Thomas	Hoffmann, Edward	Roth, Simon
Carter, Samuel Morrill	Hughes, Thomas	Schmidt, Frederick William
Chayter, John Thomas	Hutchinson, Francis Blake	Scholtz, Oswald
Cleghorn, Archibald Scott	Hyman, Joseph	Sorrenson, Thomas
Coney, John Howard	Hyman, Michael	Tannatt, Thomas
Dole, George Hathaway	Johnson, William	Terrill, Thomas Coke
Donnell, Major Thompson	Jones, Peter	Tripp, Alfred Newton
Duncan, William	Louisson, Morris	Wall, Charles Frederick
Eckhart, Maximillian	Luce, George Henry	Way, Lewish
Emmes, George John	Mackintosh, Alexander	West, Gideon
English, Henry	Marchant, Lorenzo	Whitney, Benjamin
Flitner, David Neil	McGrew, John Strayer	Wicke, John Daniel
Greigg, William	McKibbin, Robert	Williams, George Cornfield
Gray, George	McLean, George Christie	Wood, John Charles
Gray, Robert	Nolte, Henry Julius	Woods, James—72.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Wilder, Samuel Gardner—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Harvey, Michael Redington—1.

DIED :

Leleiohoku, William Pitt

Lewers, Christopher Hamilton—2.

OCCIDENTAL LODGE, No. 22.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Samuel Woolsey Backus, <i>Master</i> ,	William Macdonald, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Denny, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Luman Wadhams, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Knox Polk Wilson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Fred. Gus. Moebus, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Abraham Pease Williams, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Watt Kerr, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Edward Moody, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Center, }
George Henry Jenks, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Samuel D. Mayer, <i>Organist</i> ,
	Harrison Jones, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

James Rice, Jr.	David Morgan, Jr.	Charles Johnson Willey,
James Loughhead Blaikie,	John Elbridge Purdy,	Charles Morton Radcliff,
Harrison Jones,	Elliott Josiah Moore,	George Mackay Adams,
Charles Lyman,	Abraham Pease Williams,	Joel Noah,
Augustine Dyer Carpenter,	Pemberton Brittin Horton,	John Jennings.

MASTER MASONS :

Altenberg, Ernest	Corlett, William	Gallagher, Bernard
Angus, John Archibald	Cory, Isaac Hunt	Gates, Horatio Sylvester
Bachelder, Thos. Foxwell	Crowell, James Harper	Geary, William
Backus, Oscar Jerome	Crane, Henry Adolphus	Gillam, Jefferson
Baird, John Hill	Cumming, James Munro	Glover, Geo. Francis Marion
Baldwin, Alex. Richards	Cunningham, Michael Chas.	Gorham, Chas. Easterbrook
Beach, Alex. Thornton	Curry, Francis Isaac	Griffin, John
Beason, Frederick Pierce	Damon, George Dimick	Hamilton, John Rae
Becker, Bernard Adolph	Dean, Walter Edwin	Haney, William Washington
Bernard, Charles	Denniston, Edward Gere	Harris, Stephen Randall
Benedict, Courtland Smith	DeSilver, Manuel Maria	Haskell, Charles Lyman
Bowen, Charles Edward	DeWitt, William Walstein	Haviland, John Tuthill
Bradley, George Lewis	Dimond, William Henry	Havner, James Randall
Brannan, Samuel	Downes, William Selden	Hogg, Walter
Brant, William Perry	Downing, Henry Clay	Holland, Nathaniel
Briggs, Martin Clark	Dunphy, William	Hopps, Charles Edwin
Brown, Thomas	Earl, John Ogden	Horton, Thomas Rotch
Buckley, James	Elliot, Charles	Howland, Robert Muir
Burdick, Edward Freeman	Elliott, Alfred Thomas	Humphreys, Ervin Decius
Burmeister, Henry	Ellis, John Stoneacre	Hutorff, Henry
Capp, Charles Singer	Fell, William	Ives, George Isaac
Carolan, Charles Anthony	Flanders, Nathan	James, Frank William
Carpenter, Dyer Augustine	Fleming, John James	Jaynes, Frank
Carr, Mathew Doke	Flick, William Freyberg	Jensen, John William Ditlef
Center, George	Flint, Brilsford Pease	Johnson, Albert
Clark, Edmund Fanning	Folger, Daniel Webster	Johnson, Gustave Swante
Clark, Treat Perry	Forbes, Charles	Johnson, John Munroe
Coe, James	Franklin, Roderick Penn	Johnson, Robert Carlton
Colburn, Charles Henry	French, Wheeler Nichols	Jones, John Andrews
Cole, Richard Beverly	Frink, George Washington	Jones, Joseph
Cook, Isaac	Fry, John Douglass	Kennedy, Leonard White

Kersey, John Daniel	Oliver, Joseph Lewis	Stanley, James
Keuscher, Frederick	Parks, James	Steiger, Charles Rudolph
Kinney, Marshall Jackson	Phillips, Wm. Armstrong	Steiner, Nicholas
Kittridge, Jonathan	Pidwell, Cyril Trerosso	Stewart, Thomas
Kleinhans, John	Pinner, Robert	Stombs, Thomas Allen
Kline, Henry	Prior, John Lewis	Stone, William
Klopenstine, Andrew	Pitcher, Henry Hinsdale	Storm, Cornelius
Knapp, Jabez Burrill	Plummer, Harry Wilkinson	Stowell, William Hayden
Knowles, Charles Wesley	Powell, Robert Baldwin	Sutton, William
Kruse, John	Quinn, William Henry	Swain, Albert Edward
Lambie, William Thomas	Rawson, Julien Addison	Sykes, Charles Henry
Lawson, John Chris.	Reavis, William Henry	Tasheira, Lewis
Lockhart, Geo. Alexander	Reichert, Theodore	Tay, George Hadley
Lukins, Joseph Adolph	Robinson, Samuel	Taylor, John Brinkworth
Lull, Louis Richard	Rouleau, François Adolphe	Taylor, John Franklin
Luty, John Samuel	Rosekrans, Henry Mosier	Taylor, John Ward
Maguire, Joseph	Rosekrans, Hiram	Taylor, Joseph
Marr, James Harvey	Rowell, Charles	Tesmore, Solomon
Martin, Joseph Louis	Rosengarn, John Hermann	Theller, Samuel Lount
Mastick, Levi Benjamin	Ridlington, Thomas	Thomson, Malcolm
Mathiesen, Martin William	Rutherford, Thomas Lewis	Thompson, Ira Dent
Mauran, Joseph Russell	Sage, Lewis Peas	Thompson, William Howard
Mayers, Robert	Schafer, Herman Henry	Thrall, Stephen Chipman
Maynard, Duncan Dunbar	Schultze, Charles	Topping, Watson William
McCeney, Julius Claytor	Scollay, William Alfred	Trask, Adam Young
McCrindle, William	Scott, George	Trueworthy, Francis Marion
McDonald, Archibald	Scott, Shailer Mackintosh	Turner, Cephas
McGuffick, William	Scott, Walter	Turner, Charles Osborn
McKibben, Thomas	Seaton, Horace Henry	Urquhart, James Simonson
McKinley, James	Sedgley, Abner	Vanderslice, Wm. Keyser
McLennan, Donald	Sharpstein, John Rudolph	Von Jeinsen, Ernest
McMillan, Daniel	Sheldon, Mark	Waters, Charles
Mead, Charles Henry	Shepardson, Hart Franklin	Wayman, Willard Gross
Megaw, John George, Jr.	Shrader, Andrew Jackson	Wheeler, Stephen James
Moffit, Thomas Sabatier	Simpson, Robert Weir	Willey, Otis Freeman
Moore, Robert Henry	Sinclair, John William	Williams, George Edward
Morrison, Robert	Sleeper, Charles	Williams, Henry Brown
Mulford, Thomas Whited	Smith, Frank	Williams, John Henry
Munsell, James, Jr.	Smith, Gilbert Cole	Willis, John
Murdock, Walter Burbank	Smith, Stephen Henry	Winter, Daniel
Nelson, Charles	Smith, William (1st)	Winterburn, Joseph
Newman, Carlton	Smith, William (2d)	Wood, Andrew Bunker
Newton, Morris	Soulé, Frank	Wythe, Joseph Henry
O'Connor, Cornelius	Stanley, Frederick Hastings	Zeh, Theodore—251.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Mahoney, John Hill

Seymour, Simon Harry—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Dexter, Abert Gregory
Orr, John KennedyTaylor, Edward T.
Thomas, Andrew JacksonWand, Thomas Nelson
Whiting, Billington Crum—6.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Bogle, William Henry	Hitchings, Edward Ward	McCullough, Thomas Jas.
Bradbury, Lester Jason	Howard, Freder'k Preston	Ott, Richard
Clark, Smyth	Hutchinson, John P.	Read, Asher Benjamin
Devine, Thomas	Jackson, John	Shoenbar, John
Eberhardt, Adolph	Lawler, George Uniacke	Webb, Henry

—15.

DIED:

Allen, Alexander	Gates, Vandervoort Bruce	McCrum, Robert
Arrowsmith, David Bloomer	Laidley, James	Witbeck, Peter—6.

MADISON LODGE, No. 23.

Grass Valley, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

John Willard Relley, <i>Master,</i>	Thomas John Mitchell, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
William Gordon Hudson, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Theo. Henry Wilhelm, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
James Thomas Rowe, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	John Burnett, <i>Marshal,</i>
Williom Kenyon Spencer, <i>Treasurer,</i>	David Binkleman, }
George Washington Hill, <i>Secretary,</i>	Henry Vogalman, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Edward Houston Whiting, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters:

William McCormick,	William Coombe, (1st,)	Alphonso Morehouse,
Alex. Buchanan Brady,	Charles Osborne Taylor,	Althanasius Pryor,
John Crisp Coleman,	Edward Coleman,	Reuben Leech.

MASTER MASONS :

Ahlgren, Carl Gustaf	Crowell, Charles Henry	Jones, Robert
Anderson, Robert	Dibble, Alfred Barrett	Jones, William C.
Andrew, Joel	Dorsey, John Jacob	Julian, Humphrey
Andrews, James	Dorsey, Samuel Packwood	Kemp, Robert
Angove, John	Dunston, William	Kendig, Daniel
Barker, Charles	Edwards, Joseph	King, Cyrus
Beaman, Geo. Washington	Erb, John Benjamin	Land, Thomas Reese
Berg, Alfred	Eva, James	Lawrence, John
Berriman, Nicholas	Evans, Thomas	Leech, Charles
Biggs, William	Farrell, John Henry	Lockwood, Justus Wheeler
Bonniviert, Pascal Joseph	Fricot, Jules	Long, Stephen
Boston, Wm. Washington	Fuchs, Henry	Lord, George
Body, Wm. Christopher Dart	Gad, Bernard	Loutzenheiser, William
Bray, Phillip	Gill, William	Majors, John Newton
Bryan, David	Gluyas, James	McAnally, Richard
Bryan, Powhattan	Gluyas, James Luke	McCook, David
Bryant, William Henry	Granger, Samuel	McCook, Robert
Buckett, Thomas	Gribble, John	Meek, John David
Burnie, Alexander	Halsell, Thomas	Mitchell, Charles Henry
Caddy, Richard	Hand, William	Mitchell, William Henry
Carson, George	Hand, William Henry	Morgan, William Griffiths
Clift, William	Harris, Stephen Michael	Musgrove, Richard
Clough, Jonathan Converse	Hooper, James	Nicholas, Henry
Coombe, William (2d)	Husom, Andrew	Noel, James Clymo
Cooper, Arthur	Johnston, John	Noonan, Patrick
Crocker, John Ross	Johnston, Peter	Novitzky, Henry

Novitzky, Simon	Roberts, Philip William	Stoddard, Walter Scott
O'Connor, Miles Power	Roche, Gabriel	Synpson, Charles
Oliver, Richard	Rogers, Jona. Washington	Sweet, Hiram Henry
Oliver, William Phillips	Roland, Louis Jerome	Thomas, Stephen
Palmountain, John	Rose, Jas. Wm. Tecumseh	Thompson, John Burns
Parkin, John	Sanders, John	Tompkins, Edward Alex.
Pears, Joseph	Saxton, Edward	Tuttle, Daniel
Peck, Wesley	Saxton, James	Uphoff, Herman
Peterson, Andrew Gustaf	Scadden, Henry	Vincent, George
Phillips, John	Scott, Harrison	Vosding, John
Polglase, John	Silvester, Henry	Walker, Thomas Rolla
Ponton, Thomas	Smith, Charles Woolsen	Watt, William
Price, Brisco Hugh	Stephens, Henry Randal	Williams, William Henry
Provis, William	Stevenston, John	Willson, John Peter
Rhatigan, John	Stoddard, Alexander	Young, John—143.

WITHDRAWN :

Cross, Thomas	Levey, Heiman	Sullivan, John Lyon—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bosworth, Solomon Dewey	Findley, Thomas	Tibbey, Charles James—5.
Bryan, John Albion	Murray, Michael	

MARIPOSA LODGE, No. 24.

Mariposa, Mariposa County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Lewis Fuller Jones, <i>Master</i> ,	Thomas James Smith, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Franklin Coffman, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	George Howard Knight, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Henley Robinson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Lewis Newman Jones, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Calvin Eldridge Farnsworth, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Lind,
George Washington Temple, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Carl Gustave Lind, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Edwin Moore,	George Washington Temple,	Lewis Fuller Jones.
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MASTER MASONS :

Aeilkema, Benjamin Davis	Duncan, John Perry	Ridgway, Josephus Hend'n
Armstrong, James	Godano, John Baptiste	Schlageter, Hermann
Barnett, James	Gonzales, Manuel	Shelley, Joseph
Clark, Joseph	Harris, Charles	Snyder, John Washington
Cocking, James	Jenkins, James Charman	Streeter, Jarvis
Cook, John Jay	King, Samuel Aiken	Uren, Simon
Coop, Green	Miller, George Sinclair	Weiler, John
Counts, George	Miller, Joseph Henry	Westfall, Joel J.—37.
Davanay, Hugh	Regan, William	

FELLOW CRAFT :

Hesler, John—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Mathews, John	Washburn, Alfred Henry—2.
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DIED :

Pratt, Joseph Abner—1.

GEORGETOWN LODGE, No. 25.

Georgetown, El Dorado County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Ellison Lassell Crawford, <i>Master</i> ,	Theophilus Lebouf, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Alvin Bucknam, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Louis White, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Edwin Thomas Jones, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Samuel Doncaster, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Elijah Harper Watson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Fullerton White, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Isaac Grinnell Swift, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Alexander Thompson Lee, }
John Paul Jones Davison, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

John Paul Jones Davison,	William Roush,	Henry Warren Russell,
Ellison Lassell Crawford,	John Wade,	Edwin R. Pease.

MASTER MASONS :

Berry, Solomon Adams	Gibbs, William Thomas	McKusick, Harrison John'n
Bucknam, Magnus Janson	Goen, Noah Hale	Pedrini, Massimino
Carter, John Elliott	Grenell, William Henry	Pinney, Henry Addison
Dotta, Lodovico	Hanson, Sanford	Ricci, Felice
Downs, John Loller	Hirsch, Samuel Prosper	Saucerman, Samuel
Dunahoo, Wm. Washington	Hunter, Geo. Washington	Shephard, Benj. Franklin
Epps, Tinsley Burton	Husk, William Durell	Simpers, Geo. Washington
Filippini, Rinaldo	Jackson, Isaac Priestly	Spencer, Willis Eugene
Forni, Angelo	Kunkler, John Ernest	Stanley, Hartwell Barnam
Fortune, William	Lane, William Henry	Walker, Adolph Henry
Gay, Robert	McKenney, John	Wilson, James St. Clair—48.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Farnsworth, John Franklin—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Alters, Franklin Solomon	Williamson, John Randolph	Worden, James Barculo—4.
Pedrini, Cipriano		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Lazansky, Bernhard	Nye, Samuel Porter—2.
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DIED:

Langley, Charles—1.

EL DORADO LODGE, No. 26.

Placerville, El Dorado County.

*Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Albert Jay Lowry, <i>Master</i> ,	Samuel Benninger, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Alderson, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Pascoe, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Ralph, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Frederick Ferdinand Barss, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Augustus Mierson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Peter Cleese, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles Caleb Peirce, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Oliver Coffin, }
Carlo Guiseppe Celio, (of Palmyra Lodge, No. 151,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Frederick Ferdinand Barss,

George Franklin Mack.

MASTER MASONS:

Alderson, George	Eva, John	Miller, Daniel Rice
Arvidsson, Charles John	Fink, John	Miller, John Wesley
Ashcroft, Henry	Flansberg, Philo	O'Brien, James Garlin
Avansino, Nicola	Forbes, Pliny Fisk	O'Neil, Joseph
Ballard, Jno. Quincy Adams	Ford, Simeon Jasper	Partridge, Fred. Leonard
Barlow, Geo. Washington	Gateman, Henry	Plumado, Francis Hilaire
Blanchard, Geo. Granville	Gelwicks, Daniel William	Prideaux, Henry
Bonython, James	Gorski, Severin	Prideaux, William
Bouldan, Thomas	Hawley, Asa Hershel	Reed, Caleb
Briggs, Lewis Madisoh	Herrill, Eli	Rogers, William
Broad, Charles	Hopkins, Lemuel B.	Tagtmeier, Frederick
Broad, James	Jackson, George Longley	Teague, Francis
Carr, Nelson	Kemphorn, John Hooper	Thompson, Geo. Washington
Cartheche, John	Kennedy, Andrew Jackson	Vernon, William Patrick
Combella, John	Kirk, John	Vignaut, Peter
Dickson, John W. Bushnell	Lucas, George Phillips	Ward, Thomas
Duncan, Albert Henry	Mason, Benjamin Dorsey	Weyman, William—63.
Elken, Albert		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Miller, Isaac Leffler—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bowe, Edward Young Schulmerich, Conrad Sperbeck, Andrew Jackson—3.

DIED:

Biron, Hyman—1.

TRINITY LODGE, No. 27.**Weaverville, Trinity County.***Stated Meetings, last Saturday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

John William Philbrook, <i>Master</i> ,	John Gwin Irwin, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Harvey, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Henry Bremer, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Lucien Cass, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Champion W. Smith, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Otto Vollmers, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Bower Jumper,
Morris Franklin Griffin, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Spencer Lowden,
	Charles John Augustus Goering, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:John Clifton Mason,
John McMurry,

Wiley James Tinnin,

Olo Christian Christiansen.

MASTER MASONS :

Anderson, Robert Lawrence	Harvey, Alfred	Paulsen, Peter
Barnickel, Jacob	Harvey, Charles	Personette, Moses William
Bates, Fordyce	Harvey, Henry	Pickett, James Madison
Black, Peter Paterson	Harvey, Nicholas	Price, Archibald Graham
Campbell, Alex. William	Hass, Gottlieb Frederick	Raab, Louis
Cummings, James	Howland, Daniel	Reed, Benjamin Hayden
Dennenbrink, Conrad	Hupp, William Irvin	Rowles, James
Diener, Gottlieb Frederick	Leavitt, Franklin Dana	Ruch, William
Dyer, John William	Leonard, William Henry	Schall, Louis
Earl, Alberto Rudolpho	Lobdell, Charles	Smiley, John Wesley
Faubel, Henry	Lowden, Marshall Horace	Thompson, Richard Green
Fisher, John Stuart	Martin, Henry (1st)	Timmerman, Louis
Flowers, Ellis	Martin, Henry (2d)	Van Matre, George
Given, William Cushing	Miller, Thomas Love	Van Matre, Peter
Grady, John Fitzgerald	Mortimer, George	Wells, Richard Brown
Guthrie, William	Musser, John	Wood, Joel Chilton
Hansen, Dutleff	Osthoff, John Henry	Wilt, Henry Cunningham
Harden, David	Paulsen, Jacob	Whitebread, Adolph—69.

WITHDRAWN :

Pillings, George Ruch, Michael—2.

DIED:

Sheridan, Thomas—1.

COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 28.

Columbia, Tuolumne County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Gideon Wing, <i>Master,</i>	Henry Clay Calhoun, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
John Jolly, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	John Stewart, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Wm. Kennedy McLeod, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Paul Bixel, <i>Marshal,</i>
Henry Sevensing, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Daniel Dimond, <i>Stewards,</i>
William Henry Ryan, <i>Secretary,</i>	Edward Skinner, <i>Stewards,</i>
John Reister, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters:

John Beach Carter,	William Henry Ryan,	Gideon Wing.
Stephen Wing,		

MASTER MASONS:

Ahlberg, Walfrid Victor	Fuchs, John	Parsons, Charles Hicks
Andross, Mos. Chamberlain	Fuller, Munroe James	Parsons, Edmond
Bell, George	Hale, George Webb	Phelps, Wilson
Biddle, Amos	Hall, Merritt Jordan	Raymond, Van Rensselaer
Bullerdieck, Albert	Haskell, Geo. Henry Hedge	Rinquette, Eli Hillary
Byrd, Francis Jahew	Jarvis, Leon'd Fitz Edward	Rub, Adam
Cavis, Joseph Mills	Klein, Conrad	Schuler, Henry
Cunningham, Rob't And'son	Krause, Wilhelm	Sleeper, William Osgood
Duchow, John Charles	Lewis, Moses Allen	Whitby, Freeborn Garrison
Faber, George	McKenzie, Daniel	Winne, George—44.
Fosterling, Louis		

WITHDRAWN:

Aaron, Francis William Howard

Sullivan, John Langwell—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Fairley, Adam

Gorham, William James

Knowles, Andrew Jackson—3.

DIED:

Dunlap, Edwin Alonzo

Wilson James—2.

GOLDEN GATE LODGE, No. 30.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Samuel Hervey, Jr., *Master*,George Telfer Scott, *Senior Deacon*,Henry Fox Stivers, *Senior Warden*,John Charles Wilson, *Junior Deacon*,Slade Anthony Earle, Jr., *Junior Warden*,William Schuyler Moses, *Marshal*,Calvin Hale Wetherbee, *Treasurer*,George M. Seaman, } *Stewards*,Adolphus Augustus Hobe, *Secretary*,

John Harvey Knight. }

Abram Isaac Miller, (of Mission Lodge, No. 169,) *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

William Schuyler Moses,

Adolphus Augustus Hobe,

Thomas Robb Henshelwood,

George John Hobe,

James Byron Dobbie,

William Stebbins Bowne,

William Sydney Phelps,

James Patterson,

James Henry Skelly,

Hiram Throop Graves,

Samuel Henry Kent,

Samuel Graves,

Thomas Bigley,

John Osborne Doane,

Anson Samuel Ferris.

Edward Mortimer Cottrell,

MASTER MASONS:

Ackerman, Chas. Herman

Buddington, Moses Jones

Dengler, Philip

Aitken, James

Bulger, Martin

Dicus, William Henry

Andersen, Charles

Bullen, Tupper

Dunker, Ernst

Anderson, Matthew A.

Bulson, John

Edwards, Frank George

Applegarth, William

Bunker, James Andrew

Ehman, Robert

Bain, John

Byrnes, William Andrew

Elliott, Henry

Barclay, David

Cairns, John Thorburn

Everding, John

Battams, William

Cameron, Daniel

Fairweather, Julian

Beesley, George Satchwell

Campbell, Robert

Fake, George John

Belcher, Robert Hall

Carroll, Martin

Field, Hampton Ebenezer

Bering, John Pearson

Castle, Albert Edward

Flood, James Clair

Berry, Richard

Chaplin, George Morris

Foord, James

Black, Henry Melvin

Churchward, James

Forsyth, George Cameron

Blyth, Henry

Cordé, Frank

Freese, Andrew Christian

Boole, William Augustus

Corno, Paul

Fuller, William Palmer

Borthwick, Charles

Craig, Peter

Fulton, John Alexander

Brickwedel, Henry

D'Arcy, John

Garratt, Benj. Franklin

Bright, Robert

Davidson, Walter Park

Garratt, Joseph

Brown, John (2d)

Deacon, William

Gates, Israel William

Brown, Stephen Godfrey

Deal, David

Gerhow, Frederick

Bryant, James Edward

Deckar, Charles Mangus

Girvan, Charles

Girzikowsky, William	McLeod, James	Rowell, Samuel
Griffiths, Thomas Hamblin	Merrill, Thomas	Sandeman, Wm. Creelman
Hacker, Edward	Meyer, John Conrad	Sanders, John Peter
Hague, Charles John	Middleton, Frank	Satchwell, John
Hanson, Edw'd Hencheldey	Miller Chas. Wilhel. Joach.	Schoder, Joseph
Hawkes, John Henry	Miller, Stephen Baldwin	Seymour, Alfred
Hawkins, Joseph Peter	Morgan, John A.	Shives, Alexander
Hencken, Martin	Morrison, Alexander	Simpson, John
Henrix, Edward	Müller, Louis	Simpson, William
Hetherington, Henry	Nightingale, John	Smith, Charles Ward
Hogeboom, Law. Vosburg	Nugent, John	Smith, Francis Mullen
Holmes, George Alexander	Nutson, Charles Andrew	Smith, Jacob Morton
Hubbard, Normand Asa	O'Brien, William Smith	Smith, John
Hubbs, Anthony	O'Connor, Thomas Michael	Smith, William Mangus
Hughes, George	Owens, John Broome	Snook, Robert Edward
Ingalls, John Newton	Parker, Frank Spofford	Springer, Jason
Jacobson, John Herman	Parks, John	Stratman, John
Joliffe, William Howard	Patterson, John William	Swan, Andrew Crawford
Kauce, Francis	Paul, Albert Henry	Thompson, Hans Andrew
Kelly, Caius Pliny	Pearce, Henry Martin	Thornhill, Joseph
Kihn, John Fred. Herman	Peeples, Eugene	Traunge, Louis
King, John	Peters, John Henry	Trewavas, John
Kluge, Emile Gottfried	Peterson, Soren Baltzer	Turner, Matthew
Knipe, Thomas John	Phelps, Augustus Eliphalet	Van Duzer, Oliver
Kustel, Alexis Odilo	Price, Charles John	Vollers, Henry
Lemon, James Hutcheon	Raphael, Robert	Vorrath, Christian Charles
Little, William Tell	Ratz, Jeremias William	Wallace, Thomas
Lucas, Daniel	Raymond, David	Walmsley, William Wallace
Mackie, Peter	Redfield, Francis Sherman	Wells, William
Mannie, Emmett Marcell	Reed, Chas. Ed. Hodgkins	Wenzell, William Theodore
Marcucci, Domingo	Reed, James	Wheeler, Jacob
Martin, William Joseph	Reynolds, Edw'd Blessingt'n	White, David Walker
Matthews, Henry	Robinson, Richard Gregory	Wilson, Charles (1st)
McKibbin, William	Ross, Daniel I	Wilson, Charles (2d)
McKinnon, Archibald	Ross, Daniel W.	Wilson, Charles William
McLeod, Angus		—193.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Wilson, John Andrew—1.

RESTORED :

Patterson, John William—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Schumann, Frederick—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Bech, Curt Arthur	Mackie, Andrew	Van Nostrand, D. Comstock
Eagles, Henry William	Sholl, Frederick Gustav	Van Pelt, John Henry
Koopman, Henry	Stockman, John Milton	Wood, William Henry
Lumsden, John Edward		—10.

DIED :

Lewis, Sabin Francis—1.

MOKELUMNE LODGE, No. 31.

Mokelumne Hill, Calaveras County.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Russell Fairbanks McCarty, <i>Master,</i>	William Ellis Low, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Joseph Northrop Griggs, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	David Bartlett Edwards, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Cesar Jennings, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Samuel Charter Peek, <i>Marshal,</i>
Thomas Peters, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Bernard Schweyer, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Crawford Allen Bryant, <i>Secretary,</i>	Daniel Fairchild, }
Lewis Fage, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters:

Wesley Kennon Boucher,	Thomas Peters,	Joseph O'Neill.
James Megaw,		

MASTER MASONS:

Asbury, John Calvin	Gradwohl, Meyer	Parrish, Charles Loren
Champion, John	Hoerchner, Charles	Wolters, John Dietrick—22.
Davidson, Louis	Nellis, William	

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Day, Francis Henry—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Briggs, Samuel Wallace	Rechenbach, Ferdinand	Talmage, Christ'r Columbus
Hoey, John Lewis		—4.

GOLD HILL LODGE, No. 32.

Lincoln, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

James Edgar Young, <i>Master,</i>	Christ. Columbus Sanders, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Edmund Jones Sparks, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Christ. Henry Hoppert, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
James Striplin, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Albert Carlyle Fleming, } <i>Stewards,</i>
William Ingram, <i>Treasurer,</i>	William Bailey Robinson, }
Henry Briggs, <i>Secretary,</i>	John Haenny, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Isaac Stonecipher,	Mahlon Waldron,	James Edgar Young.
Thomas Burrill Harper,	Henry Chittenden Curtis,	

MASTER MASONS:

Alexander, Nathan	Gray, Galusia	Nash, Lorenzo Dow
Bulens, John Louis	Guthrie, James Frank	Pratt, Jonathan Davis
Chamberlain, Thomas Lee	Harry, John	Richardson, Oliver Perry
Cleland, James Henry	Larkin, George	Roberts, William Ewing
Ewing, Titus Stephen	Logan, Samuel	Robinson, John Newton
Garcelon, Charles Clarke	Maguire, John Francis	Vogt, Jacob—32.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Chapman, James Albert	Kinkade, Joseph Calvin	Noyes, Charles—3.
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WITHDRAWN:

Anderson, Nicholas—1.

DIED:

Dysart, George—1.

OPHIR LODGE, No. 33.

Murphy's, Calaveras County.

Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS :

George Lewis True, <i>Master</i> ,	Elias Elam Ross, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Milo Terry, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Frank Benjamin Marshall, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Robert Hall Ross, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Dodd Thomas, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Riley Senter, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alfred Shaw, }
William Henry Barnes, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thomas Prothero, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

William Henry Barnes,	George Lewis True.
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MASTER MASONS :

Brice, James Thomas	Gagliardo, Antonio	Reese, Frederick
Carley, Joseph	Heywood, Abel	Ross, George Anthony
Cox, Thomas Evans	Larkin, William	Shannon, James
Cutting, Page	Leizza, John	Sharp, Samuel
Davies, James Sydenham	Mauretson, Jonas Christian	Tatton, Cornelius
Davis, Ansil	Mull, Eli	Zivley, Jas. Alexander—29.
Demartini, Angelo		

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Housell, John Michel Andrew—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Blood, Harvey	Heinsdorff, John	Gardner, John—4.
Cooley, John		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Biggs, Napoleon Bonaparte	Downing, William Reed	Johnson, Ernest William
Crispin, William Chubb	Jerome, James Judson	Toundrow, William Norrish
Crozier, William		—7.

SANTA CLARA LODGE, No. 34.

Santa Clara, Santa Clara County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

William Benjamin Kingsbury, <i>Master</i> ,	Hugh Mackay, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Andrew Finley McAfee, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Benjamin Thomas Stinson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Robert Menzel, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Wheeler Cook, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Cary Peebles, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Melvin Lawrence Gruwell, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Emmon Taylor Starr, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Jackson Washington Ong, }
Hugh Hollis Dobbins, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Samuel Martin Kerrick, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

John Cook,	Emmon Taylor Starr,	Parker Butterfield Holmes,
Dennis Willey Herrington,	Woodward War'k Withrow,	James Allen Shoemaker.
William Benj. Kingsbury,		

MASTER MASONS :

Arnold, James Madison	Freeman, Mathew Thoni	McComas, Rush
Bachant, Louis	Gabriel, Ferdinand William	McWilliams, James
Boone, William Dechart	Gairaud, Louis	Moore, Alfred
Bowen, Alfred	Gummer, Samuel Plant	Murphy, John Henry
Bourguignon, Aug. Silvine	Gunn, Smith Rubin	Painter, Edward Robinson
Bradbury, Elisha Cole	Groves, William	Parr, William Johnson
Brother, Henry	Hopkins, Isaiah Litler	Pendegrast, Charles Jeff.
Brown, Charles Louis	Jacquist, John Peterson	Roberts, John Jackson
Carrow, Giles Harrison	Johnson, Samuel William	Schoene, Hermann
Cutler, Hobert Nelson	Laine, Thomas Henry	Smith, Stephen
Dixon, John	Levy, Samuel	Vandine, Eben
Elliott, George Auritus	Lillick, Henry	Warren, Andrew Temple
Fisher, Charles Lester	Lowrie, John	—55.

RESTORED:

Brother, Henry

Greenea, Joseph—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Greenea, Joseph

Landrum, Andrew Jefferson—2.

SAN DIEGO LODGE, No. 35.

San Diego, San Diego County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Frederick Nye Pauly, <i>Master,</i>	Jacob Jeffer'n Mechling, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
John Waldo Thompson, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Simon Levi, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Edw'd Wilkin'n Bushyhead, <i>Jun. Warden,</i>	Garrett Garreon Bradt, <i>Marshal,</i>
Ephriam Weed Morse, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Ralph Leon Wright, {
Kenneth John Ware, <i>Secretary,</i>	Joseph Coyne, { <i>Stewards,</i>
	Walter Bennett, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters :

Marcus Schiller,	William Augustus Begole,	Frederick Nye Pauly.
Solon William Craigue,	John Milton Clark,	

MASTER MASONS :

Asher, Josephus Marion	Dunnells, Samuel Sumner	Johnson, Edward Alexander
Barney, James Mitchell	Feick, George	Julian, Archibald Heuston
Bass, John Duncan	Fenn, Charles Merwin	Klauber, Abraham
Bowers, William Wallace	Foss, David Richardson	Knight, Augustus John
Bratton, Samuel Howard	Foster, George Simpson	Knowles, Amos Pendleton
Burkhart, John Baltzel	Gale, William Monroe	Lawrey, Frank Edward
Capron, John Garfield	Gifford, Eli Bruce	Lowell, Fred. Benson
Cave, Daniel	Gilbert, Alfred Hyde	Luce, Moses Augustine
Collier, William Bell	Gordon, James Stuart	Mannasse, Joseph Samuel
Conklin, Norman Henry	Hauck, Louis	McGurck, Edward
Cox, Ivy Henderson	Hooker, Joseph Blunt	Miller, Charles Frederick
Crawford, Joseph Ury	Horton, Alonzo Erastus	Mumford, John Valentine
Dannals, George Mifflin	Hylund, Charles John	Plaisted, Leland Howard
Englehardt, John G.	Ihlstrom, Lewis John	Pierce, James Mason
Deleval, Charles	Jaeger, Louis John Frederick	Rea, Robert

Sargent, Benjamin Sears	Stewart, William Wallace	Ward, Jerome Lemuel
Schneider, Arnold	Switzer, Ephraim Daniel	Wincapaw, Rob't Washburn
Sloane, Joshua	Tomeney, Peter Patrick	Witfield, Gustavus
Spinelli, Peter Marius	Wallace, Albert Osborne	Woodson, Marshal Clay—72.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Ackerson, Edgar Jerome—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Johnson, David Alexander,	Stratton, James	Wolfsheimer, Charles—4.
Simpson, John Henfrey		

RESTORED :

Stafford, Eli Francis—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Abegg, James	Leslie, Robert Hugh	Solomon, Heyman
Barber, Geo. Washington	Merrill, Thomas Woodhouk	Stafford, Eli Francis
Chapman, Thos. Richards	Perry, Robert Dryer	Treanor, Geo. Washington
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Baker, Albert Cornelius	Gifford, Miles Henry	Moore, Thomas Scott—3.
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ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 37.**Yreka, Siskiyou County.***Stated Meetings, first Saturday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Henry Langford Tickner, <i>Master</i> ,	Curtis Hooper Pyle, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Theobold Young, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Dennis Merrick, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Vance Brown, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Byron Cole, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Maurice Renner, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Francois Dumas, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Robert Oscar DeWitt, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Jacob Hansen, }
	Nicolas Young, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Manasseh Sleeper,	Curtis Hooper Pyle,	John Vance Brown,
John Pashburg,	Samuel Strother Williams,	Edward Donaghy.

MASTER MASONS:

Barber, Benjamin	Kegg, John	Richards, Evan
Best, William	Lang, Joseph	Richards, John
Brown, Morell Clay	Lee, William	Saxild, John
Climper, John Christian	Morgan, Evan	Schwatka, Andrew Edward
Crawford, John Emerson	Peck, Sanford C.	Shaft, Orville
Davis, Henry Levy	Pellet, Samuel	Shattuck, Silas
Davis, Jesse Francis	Pipes, Morgan	Southworth, Thos. Benton
Egbert, Henry	Powers, William Watson	Spengler, Charles
Ellis, Isaac Hughes	Radford, Henry Charles	Stine, William
Fox, James William	Raynes, Alonzo Emery	Terry, George Thomas
Huseman, Louis Const'tine	Reading, Robert	Vetterlein, Charles—48.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Ball, Edgar	Miller, John	Spengler, Frederick—3.
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WITHDRAWN :

Blaske, Albert—1.

SANTA CRUZ LODGE, No. 38.

Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Frederick Adams, <i>Master</i> ,	Oscard Leonard Gordon, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Amner, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Angus Wilson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
———, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Richard Williams, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Werner, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Ellery Willis, }
Charles Steinmetz, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Bernhard Weis, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Frederick Elsworth Bailey,	Richard Kilbe Vestal,	Frederick William Lucas.
George Keating Porter,	Samuel Barnet,	

MASTER MASONS:

Abraham, Gust'us Anthony	Folsom, Cathers Drummond	Perkey, Frederick George
Anderson, William Walker	Foreman, Steph. Whittaker	Philbrook, Alonzo King
Bartlett, Samuel Arnold	Gafford, Tillotson Homer	Place, George Washington
Batchelder, Chas. Perkins	Garratt, Richard Moses	Porter, Benjamin Franklin
Bennett, James Fitz James	Gilchrist, Adam	Porter, Frank Ford
Bias, William Henry	Hall, Richard Harrison	Pray, Amasa
Bowman, Edward	Handy, Forrest Nelson	Prewett, James Levy
Brown, Elijah	Hazen, Edward Adams	Prince, George Washington
Brown, George	Hecox, Adna Andress	Pyatt, Charles Wesley
Burk, Nathan	Hinds, David	Remnant, George
Burgess, Malachia Dayl	Hoit, John Mack	Sayles, Mowry
Burnham, Geo. Chauncey	Holmes, Stillman	Schroeder, Charles
Canney, Fox Ell James	Jones, Albert	Schwartz, Louis
Chace, John Day	Kilburn, Fred'k Augustus	Smith, John James
Cooper, Frank	Kirkpatrick, Chas. Thomas	Smith, John Morgan
Cummings, David John	Makinney, Hamp'n Emmett	Soper, John
Cummings, William Nelson	Markham, Levant	Steen, Jacob
Curtis, Leonard	Martin, Chas. Christopher	Swanton, Albion Paris
Darling, Barber	McAdams, Joseph Yarmans	Thurber, Henry
Daubenbiss, John	McKenzie, Archibald	Thompson, William
DeLamater, Guysbert B. V.	McKiernan, Charles	Trefry, Job Hotfids
Doane, Handy Bushnell	Meniffee, Frank George	Walser, Oscar Jay
Donnels, Thomas	Meserve, Alvin Rand	Wellington, Edward
Douglass, John	Mette, Charles Anthony	West, Edward Swift
Drennan, Samuel	Moulton, John Bisbe	Williams, Edward Laurence
Ely, William	Nichols, Urial Schermerhorn	Winkel, Henry
Ennor, John Martin	Patten, Christ'r Von Der	Wilson, Oscar Paulett
Fischer, Anton	Patterson, John Rice	Wright, Francis Marion—99.
Fitch, Edwin		

RESTORED:

Bennett, James Fitz James	Philbrook, Alonzo King—2.
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WITHDRAWN:

Cleveland, Charles DeWitt	Gaby, Daniel	Monteith, Daniel—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bartlett, Thomas Dayley	Collins, George Ulmer—2.
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DIED:

Brown, John Murray	Hogquist, Charles—2.
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YUBA LODGE, No. 39.

Marysville, Yuba County.

*Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Thomas Hugh Steel, <i>Master</i> ,	George Martin Fronk, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Spencer Dupuy, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Jeremiah Andrew Saul, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Oscar Titus Basney, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Ebenezer Jay Lockwood, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Joseph Lask, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Emerson Emmet Meek,
Thomas Hugh Kernan, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Adoniram Judson Batchelder,
Thomas Weston Kent, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Amasa Maurice,	Charles E. Stone,	Andrew Jackson Binney,
Charles Raish,	Charles Milton Patterson,	Abner Wood Torrey.
Andrew Middlemas Shields,	James Thomas Dickey,	

MASTER MASONS:

Arnold, Thomas Jefferson	Gear, George	Prickett, Samuel Enos
Arp, Henry	Gianella, Vincenzo	Redfield, Oscar Fitzallan
Aubrey, Albert William	Heath, James	Rhey, Edward
Ayer, Leonard Barnard	Hogle, William Henry	Rooney, Joseph Henry
Blanchard, Daniel Merrill	Hortop, Philip	Sabel, George Adam
Bradley, Samuel Henry	Hunter, Enos Clark	Schriber, Frederick
Briggs, Benjamin Bennett	Hyde, Henry Ferdinand	Seaward, Thomas
Briggs, John Gregg	Knaugh, Joshua	Slingsby, William
Buttelman, Frederick	Ladoo, Peter	Spear, Andrew Potter
Creps, William Albert	Lefavor, William Franklin	St. John, Enos Frost
Crist, George Frederick	Lincoln, Louis	Stokes, William Charles
Cory, Perry	Logan, Anderson Dabney	Stone, William Frederick
Covillard, Charles Julian	Marker, Henry Bowman	Stratton, Cornelius Allen
Daggett, Daniel Olaas	Marston, Carroll Edward	Summerland, Theodore
Downie, George	Masterman, William Henry	Thom, David, Jr.
Eastman, James Fred.	Mathews, James Henry	Townsend, H'y Roy Dunham
Easton, George Breading	McClintock, William	Vansickle, Egbert Eldridge
Earnshields, Victor Lewis	McDonald, George	Wheelock, John Dexter
Fay, Edward	Millar, Robert	White, Asher Burdett
Featherly, Mathew Thomas	Millar, Thomas Boyd	Wilcoxon, Thos Hart Benton.
Fisher, Amos	Neal, George Washington	Williams, Cornelius—84.
Fox, Daniel Diffenbaugh	Peffer, John	

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Buckelew, William Clayton	Peacock, George Warren	Webber, Paul—5.
Morris, John Street	Smith, Francis Edwin	

WITHDRAWN:

Bigelow, Marcus James—1.

DIED:

Ashmore, Henry (E. A.)	Drake, Arthur Gilman	Mayoux, Antoine—4.
Cook, Herman Albert		

SACRAMENTO LODGE, No. 40.

Sacramento, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

John T. Griffiths, <i>Master</i> ,	Christian Zimmerman, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Cornelius Kellogg, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Dougald Gillis, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Hiram Cook, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Ross, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Luther Kurtz Hammer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Christian Nelson, }
Samuel Sims, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Arnold Heyman, <i>Organist</i> ,
Hubert Moor Blackwell, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,	
Peter Zacharias, (of Union Lodge, No. 58,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

James Lawrence English	Joseph Scott,	William Monroe Petrie,
William Franklin Knox,	Geo. Howard Winterburn,	Hubert Moor Blackwell,
Francis Foster,	James O'Neil,	Joseph Davey.
Powell Samuel Lawson,		

MASTER MASONS:

Acock, Thomas LaFayette	Hagley, John	Pierce, Andrew Dewight
Aiken, Andrew	Harmon, Rufus Burnham	Pierson, Henry H.
Allen, Robert	Hart, John Henderson	Pitcher, Samuel Norris
Ball, Thomas Duskinn	Hatch, James Darrow	Plumb, Benjamin Kniffin
Barrows, George Allen	Hatch, Norman Vincent	Pugh, Samuel Hutson
Beck, Robert	Heath, Josiah Ritch	Reith, John
Bennett, Erastus Darwin	Hillier, Theodore	Robertson, John
Blackwell, Frederick Thos.	Himrod, James	Robinson, Robert
Boyd, Thomas	Himrod, Oliver William	Ross, David S.
Bragg, Albert Leauder	Holbrook, Charles	Scudder, Chas. Lawrence
Bragg, Henry William	Holmes, Henry T.	Shields, Francis Marion
Brosius, Henry Conrad	Irvine, Robert Cutrer	Sims, Joseph
Brown, John Quincy	Jenkins, George W.	Smith, Frank Augustus
Clarke, Warren Emery	Karcher, Matthew	Smith, John William Martin
Colburn, James A.	Knowles, Charles Lounes	Smith, Matthew J.
Cook, Michael Augustus	Krebs, Charles Henry	Snell, Chauncy Newell
Crocker, Henry Smith	Langstaff, William	Snider, William Sherman
Croly, Edward James	Larue, Hugh McElroy	Stanley, Leander
Cummings, William	Locke, George Washington	Thurman, Isaac B.
Darwin, John	Lyon, Edward	Truex, Jackson Calhoun
Davidson, Daniel	McClaghry, Sam'l Carter	Tryon, Sylvester
Dayton, James White	McKenzie, Nicholas Beck	Turton, William
Denton, Charles Harrison	McPherson, Benjamin Dyer	Vandenberg, Edward Levi
Dolan, Charles Patrick	Megerle, Henry Charles	Wallquist, Carl John
Drew, Nathaniel Lafayette	Merrill, John Francis	West, Wilson Bray
Dwyer, Michael	Miller, Peter Andrew	White, Charles Swain
Foy, Fredrick Matthias	Mills, Edgar	Wickstram, Charles Edward
Gagnon, Alfred	Montgomery, Jos. Fontenoy	Wilcoxson, Jefferson
Gee, James	Nathan, Solomon Jacob	Williams, William George
Givens, John Ely	Parsons, Everet Curtis	Wilson, William
Golden, Thomas	Perkins, Thomas Calley	Withington, Richard Hall
Hack, Henry Leonard	Phillips, George	Wood, Matthew Newlin—116.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Guernsey, Amasa Allen—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Drake, Enos R.

Hopkins, Samuel A.

Patton, DeWitt Clinton—3.

WITHDRAWN:

Choquette, Carluxe

Dennergy, Bernard—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bailey, Abraham P.

Fassett, Lewis Hillyer

Rothermel, Charles Nichols—3.

MARTINEZ LODGE, No. 41.

Martinez, Contra Costa County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Isidor Weiss, *Master*,William Henry Buckley, *Senior Deacon*,Lewis Cass Wittenmeyer, *Senior Warden*,George Smith Overfield, *Junior Deacon*,John McGrath, *Junior Warden*,Henry Miles Hollenbeck, } *Stewards*,William Morrill Hale, *Treasurer*,

Thomas Griffin,

Joseph Philip Jones, *Secretary*,Daniel Fraser, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Thomas Allen Brown,

William Henry Buckley,

George J. Bennett,

Lewis Cass Wittenmeyer,

Warren Brown,

William John Douglas.

MASTER MASONS:

Baldwin, Barry

Gray, James

Rhine, Charles

Baldwin, Edward Selby

Gartley, Alonzo Lamb

Russell, Hiram Smith

Bennett, Seeley James

Guppy, Alonzo Russell

Sherman, Charles

Blum, Simon

Hagy, Adam

Sherman, George Atwood

Bowen, Nathan Streeter

Heacock, Thomas

Taylor, Kirk White

Boyd, John Wheaton

Hickman, Samuel Brooking

Tongis, Christopher

Carothers, James Henry

Hook, William

Troy, John Henry

Carpenter, Alexander

Knox, George William

Tucker, John

Cook, Newton James

Mills, Hiram

Turner, Benjamin Coffin

Dalton, Henry Morris

Newberger, Solomon

Walker, Arthur Richardson

Fernandez, Bernardo

Plath, John Herman

Walker, James Tormay

Fraser, John Alexander

Potwin, George Seymore

Warburton, Samuel—50.

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Edwards, Hugh Pugh

Fassett, William—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Marsh, Joshua

Ward, William—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Earle, Henry Gibbs

Gardner, Clark William

Sharp, Smith Robinson—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON PAYMENT OF DUES:

Armstrong, James Taylor

Muir, William—2.

LOS ANGELES LODGE, No. 42.

Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.

*Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Henry Sayre Orme, <i>Master</i> ,	Alex. Jordan Baldy, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Fallis Spence, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Michael Edward Ryan, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Cobbitt Furrey, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Andrew Henry Denker, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Samuel Meyer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Elijah Binford Hitchcock, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles Smith, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Bernard Simon, }
Hermann Neidecken, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Samuel Prager,	Charles Prager,	Wm. Henry Archibald Kidd,
Thomas Edwin Rowan,	Samuel Calvert Foy,	Ansell Mellen Bragg.
James Franklin Burns,		

MASTER MASONS:

Baldwin, Leon McLeod	Hellman, Isaias William	Norton, Moses
Barrows, Henry Dwight	Henderson, And. Jackson	Perry, William Hayes
Beck, Samuel James	Hicks, John Davidge	Peschke, Frederick Wm.
Bell, George Henry	Hobbs, William Alexander	Porter, Theo. Cunningham
Braman, Joseph Balch	Holmes, Arthur Child	Portugal, Adolph
Brown, Robert Rufus	Jackson, John Eugene	Prediger, John George
Brunson, Anson	Jackson, Robert Everett	Rendon, Alejo
Brooke, Samuel W.	Jones, Gilman	Reynolds, John Jefferson
Buffum, William Mansfield	Kalisher, Wolf	Riverin, François
Butler, George Rawson	Keller, Mathew	Roth, Edmond
Carson, George	Laventhal, Elias	Sainsevain, John Louis
Caystile, Thomas	Lelande, Peter	Satter, Anton
Cahen, Solomon	Levy, Michel	Schneider, Jacob
Cobler, Martin Allen	Maricle, Abraham	Scully, Thomas
Cohn, Kaspere	Mayer John	Signoret, Felix
Courtney, William	McGregor, Chauncey M.	Sittel, Caspar
Downey, John Gately	McLeod, Lemuel James	Spratt, James W.
Ducommon, Charles Louis	Meyer, Eugene	Stamps, Pacific Nestor
Eckert, Robert	Meyerstein, Henry	Stockton, Wm. McDougall
Evans, John	Michaelis, Marcus	Switzer, Commodore Perry
Fleishman, Hermann	Miller, Henry George	Temple, Thomas Workman
France, Jacob Francis	Miller, John	Thompson, Peter
Gillooly, Laurence Burke	Morris, Julius Louis	Toberman, James Ralph
Goss, William Greenberry	Morris, Moritz	Vignes, Vital Ferdinand
Griffith, John McKim	Mott, Stephen H. Dillingham	Wartenburg, Henry
Gross, Frederick	Newmark, Harris	Winston, James Browne
Hammel, Henry	Nichols, Emery J.	Woodworth, Wallace
Harris, Leopold	Norcraft, William Henry	Workman, William Henry
Hauch, Isaac	Norton, Isaac	Zimmerman, Jacob—105.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Davis, Alexander—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Darling, Freeman Andrew Jansco, Julius Mor—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Armillac, August

Higby, Christopher Columbus

Oliver, John Wing—3.

DIED:

Newbauer, Hermann—1.

HIRAM LODGE, No. 43.

El Dorado, El Dorado County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding full moon.

OFFICERS:

John Burdis, <i>Master</i> ,	John Adolphus Fisher, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Augustus Galt, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Geo. Washington Salmons, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
William Yeadon, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Marion Selkirk Granger, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Benoit Samuel Hirsch, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Damascus Bennett,
John Myers Bowers Wetherwax, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Fletcher Cotton,
Andrew Jackson Warf, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

David Edson Norton,	Charles Henry Theiss,	Thomas Augustus Galt,
John Theisen,	William Henry Clark,	John Adolphus Fisher.
Andrew Jackson Warf,		

MASTER MASONS:

Brown, John	Harvey, Richard Kent	Richardson, Hez. Manning
Carney, John	Henley, Andrew	Roussin, Charles Theofield
Coblentz, Cerf	Kleiner, Frank Joseph	Schneider, John
Cox, Joseph Francis	Litten, Arthur	Shanks, Charles
Davidson, Thomas	McCormack, James	Staples, Alpheus Dow
Fleming, Peter	Miller, David Peter	Teuteberg, Frederick
Gilmore, Nathan	Miller, Nicholas Swan	Thompson, Edward
Green, Sidney Adelbert	Nichols, Jeremiah	Tripp, Stephen
Haas, John	Norton, Geo. Maurice	Westover, Wm. Frederick
Hammell, Bradford		—43.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Cunrow, Thomas—1.

RESTORED:

Kleiner, Frank Joseph

Staples, Alpheus Dow—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Denio, John

Eppinger, Jacob—2.

DIED:

Roussin, Cyprien Leonard

Means, Robert—2.

MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, No. 44.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Michael James Keating, <i>Master</i> ,	John Reynolds Gardiner, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Gus. Adolphus Paul Seiler, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Marcus Derkheim Boruck, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Harvey Mathews, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Albert Solomon, <i>Marshal</i> ,
George Craw Hickox, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Stephen Taylor Foster,
Charles Frederick Brown, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Morris White Davis,
John Penycook, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

George Crow Hickox,	William David Johnstons,	Peter Wilkins Randle,
John S. Davies,	William Gorham Doolittle,	Charles Frederick Brown,
Charles Louis Wiggin,	Davis Louderback,	Miniss Cannon Edwards,
John Werner Shaeffer,	Joseph Lippman,	Dan Joseph Edgar,
Peter Short,	Aaron Lewis Chamberlin,	Henry Mortimer Fiske,
Monroe Ashbury,	Robert Robinson Givens,	Robert Wilson Murphy.
John Adam Russell,		

MASTER MASONS:

Abrahamson, Peter	Davis, Henry Laurens	Heuer, Philip
Ackley, Lyman	Dennis, Samuel William	Higgins, Stephen H.
Adler, Adolph	Diez, Castro Cayetano	Higgins, Isaac Newton
Allen, William McCarthy	Doane, Sharon Pratt	Higgins, James
Allen, William Russell	Doering, Edward Janes	Hill, Edwin Potter
Armstrong, Benj. Franklin	Dozier, Charles Thomason	Hoffman, Henry
Babcock, Benjamin Edwin	Eisenberg, Isidor	Holladay, Samuel W.
Badger, William Gilman	Ellery, Epes	Holmes, Charles Stewart
Barnard, Frank	Ellis, Joseph	Holtz, Louis Frederick
Barnes, Wm. Henry Linow	Emery Thomas	Homer, James Lord
Bass, Thomas Jefferson	Emerson, John Augustus	Hotchkiss, Henry Wells
Batchelder, Levi Leathers	Field, Nels Thoraldsen	Hudson, Nelson
Bates, Cicero McLean	Fiex, John	Hughes, David
Beadle, Donald	Figel, Joseph	Hunt, John Henry
Bell, Josiah	Filkins, William	Hunter, James
Belz, Johannes	Florine, Olof Nelson	Hyman, Presley Corbyn
Bemis, Charles Cook	Foy, John James	Ipswitch, John
Bennett, Robert Hazlitt	Frank, Gustave	Irelan, Samuel Boody
Bergson, Ole	Frank, Emanuel Max	Irving, Samuel
Bernstein, Solomon	Franz, Bernhard	Jacobs, Albert
Berry, Thomas Henry	Freeman, Elisha	Johnson, Henry
Blake, George Washington	French, Charles Henry	Johnson, Otto
Boswell, Solomon Bailey	Friedberg, Morris	Johnson, William Corrie
Bosworth, Henry Martin	Gallagher, Edward M.	Joseph, Isaac
Brooks, William Parker	Geist, William	Jones, George Edward
Brown, John Bearcliff	Gilman, Abijah M.	Kalloch, Isaac Smith
Bruns, Nicholas	Goetz, Julius	King, Richard
Bryan, Thomas	Goldberg, Jacob	King, Robert Murray
Bunker, Robert Frederick	Goodman, Theodore Henry	Kutz, Gabriel Marks
Burkhead, William Norman	Goslinsky, Elias	Ladd, Horace Comstock
Bush, Hyman Philip	Gottschalk, Charles	Laventhal, Samuel
Cassell, John Francis	Gunn, William John	Laws, John
Chapman, Howard	Guthrie, Jonathan Bardick	Leavitt, Walter Thomas
Chassagne, Leon	Harlow, James	Lebenbaum, Louis
Cochrane, James Henry	Harris, Alfred	Lent, Silas
Cohn, Samuel	Harrison, Randolph	Leonard, Cornelius
Congdon, Henry Bliss	Hartshorne, Elbridge	Levy, Herman
Cook, Peter	Hawley, Charles Augustus	Litchfield, Watson Dyer
Coutolenc, Jean Dom. Desiré	Hedburg, Alfred	Littlefield, Sheldon
Craig, Alexander	Hellstrommer, Chas. Henry	Lundt, Detleff Nicholas
Cullen, John Joseph	Henning, Howard Hendrick	Luther, Henry Alonzo
Cullins, George	Henrickson, Olauf	Lutz, Carl
Cunningham, Thos. Stanley	Herz, Cornelius	Lux, Frederick
Currier, Amos	Herz, Joseph	MacCrellish, Frederick
Dahlman, Charles	Heuer, Alexander	Mangles, Martin

Marcellus, Edwin P	Parker, William Henry	Sims, John Rowe
McCraith, John	Pearce, William	Smith, Hezekiah
McDonald, Donald Augustus	Peck, Philip	Speyer, Walter
McCreery, Andrew	Peiser, Jacob	Steinman, Bernard
McKenna, Thomas Dillon	Peiser, Samuel	Stephens, William Jenkin
McKenzie, John Thomas	Peterson, Jacob	Stewart, Linas
Meisterlin, John	Price, Thomas	Such, Francis Lundy
Mengel, John	Radstone, Jacob	Swain, Henry Clay
Meyer, Marcus C.	Raimond, Reuben Edgar	Thompson, James
Meyerfeld, Moses	Ramsdell, Benjamin Hatch	Torrence, John
Michael, Aaron	Redding, Michael	Tustin, William Isaac
Miller, James Nelson	Reid, John Woods	Truett, Frederick George
Miller, Milton Beach	Richards, David Matthews	Tufts, James
Miller, Peter	Riley, Cornelius	Tully, Patrick
Milne, Alexander Osborne	Rollins, Warren Augustus	Van Vlack, Gilbert James
Mitchell, James	Ruggles, John Edward	Vaughn, Hector William
Mitchell, John Reid	Sack, John Christian	Voorman, Henry
Molk, John enry	Sawyer, Charles Lewis	Von Schmidt, Alex. Walde'r
Montell, Francis Montague	Sawyer, Ebenezer Davis	Wade, Charles Howard
Murch, Leonard Howe	Schindler, Wm. Jacob Louis	Wakelee, Henry Peck
Nagle, George Dedrich	Schmidt, Valentine	Weil, Theodore
Neville, Ernest Harry	Schroeder, Johann Louis	White, Martin
Norris, Albert	Searle, William	Wiggin, Benjamin Franklin
Nuttall, John	Severance, Thos. Jefferson	Wise, Charles
Palache, Gilbert	Shackleford, Thos. Jefferson	Woolley, Lell Hawley—239.
Palmer, Edwin Campbell		

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Edwards, Mitchell

Ozier, Alfred—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Funk, Christian Carl

Miller, Frederick H.—2.

RESTORED:

Doane, Sharon Pratt

Hartshorne, Elbridge—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Anderson, William

Newmark, Valentine

Smith, Edwin Lawrence

Bonaldi, Giovanni Battista

Parti, Charles Cziriack

Van Zandt, John Washington

Levison, Herman

Reis, Julius Christian

Webber, Alpha Augustus—9.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Barth, Charles Hunter

Collins, Charles James

Reilley, William Edward

Bigelow, Henry Holmes

Parker, George Franklin

White, John—7.

Cathcart, William

DIED:

Buchanan, Alfred William

Crocker, Charles W.

Tewksbury, Jacob Merrill

Chevers, William Henry

Nichols, William

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CRESCENT LODGE, No. 45.

Crescent City, Del Norte County.

Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Edgar Mason, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles Wagner, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Elibius Nelson Magruder, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Ramey Nickel, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Greenleaf Curtis, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Nicholas Tack, Jr., <i>Marshal</i> ,
Jacob Marhoffer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Peter Henry Peveler,
Dugald Stewart Sartwell, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Etheldred Lundy Magruder, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Albert Julius Ahrens, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

William Harrison Woodbury,

William Blount Mason.

MASTER MASONS:

Bacon, Joseph Snowden	Gardner, Stephen Brooks	Peacock, George Henry
Brooking, James	Harper, James	Reins, John Waller
Burr, Anson	Howland, Eli	Richards, Daniel Franklin
Coffman, William Cozby	Jones, Martin Van Buren	Stone, Marion Pierce
Connor, John Joseph	Lake, Joseph Lincoln	Tack, Nicholas
Donovan, James Stephen	Marhoffer, Joseph	Tryon, Dennis
Fischerman, August	McVay, Samuel Hutson	Vorlander, Ewald
Ford, Thomas	Meyer, Gottlieb	Wall, Joseph George—38.
Gardner, Charles Henry		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Snodgrass, William Perdu—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Church, Edward Bentley Moor, Jonathan Smalley Richards, Wm. Williams—3.

WITHDRAWN:

Huntley, Jeremiah

Stewart Frank A.

Walker, Robert—4.

Lipowitz, Maximillian

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT:

Hargreaves, Samuel (N. A.)—1.

TEXAS LODGE, No. 46.

San Juan, San Benito County.

Stated Meetings, second Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Charles Guy Cargill, <i>Master</i> ,	Silas Watson Miles, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Edward Mitchell, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Mark Joseph Regan, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Julius Breithbath, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Flint, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Andrew Abbe, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Louis Scherrer,
Joseph Ogden Heritage, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Rosco Green Norton, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Peter Carles, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

James Francis Black,	Rosco Green Norton,	Charles Guy Cargill.
Charles Edward Mitchell,	Joseph Ogden Heritage,	

MASTER MASONS:

Baker, Albion	Deacon, Thomas	Ross, Benjamin Franklin
Beger, Henry	Flint, Benjamin	Russell, Geo. Washington
Bigley, John Newton	Guither, William	Sargent, James Petty
Burnett, William Fletcher	Kemp, Frederick William	Shaw, Thomas J.
Berry, Thaddeus Cordien	Miles, James	Slaysman, Charles R.
Brown, Aristippus	Onderkirk, Isaac	Walker, Henry Greely
Bullier, Leon	Reynolds, Ephraim Address	Willson, Dan
Canfield, Robert Walton	Riley, Samuel Sands	Wood, William James—36.

RESTORED:

Bigley, John Newton—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Berryman, Arthur	James, John Henry	Williams, Thomas William
Harris, Daniel	Webster, James Andrew	—5.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Holmes, Adam Am	Roche, James Henry—2.
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DIED:

Spitts. Albert—1.

MICHIGAN CITY LODGE, No. 47.**Michigan Bluffs, Placer County.**

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Peter Nicolai Juergenson, <i>Master</i> ,	Cyrus Watkins, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Tickell, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Reuben Moore Sparks, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Christy, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Richard Rogers Hughs, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Samuel Mitchell Huffaker, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Williams, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Warren Cassius Shain, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Alexander Dolt, }
John Mutschler, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Benjamin Dulaney Dunnam,	Warren Cassius Shain.
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MASTER MASONS:

Baker, Jehiel Hull	Edwards, Richard William	Smith, William
Bardwell, John Milton	Elsworth, John Hinchcliffe	Stackhouse, Jas. Spaulding
Burns, James	Griffith, Owen William	Swenson, Christian Severin
Cameron, William	Halligan, Daniel Monroe	Tracy, Perus Sprague
Coker, Goold Carlton	Lewis, Robert	Weske, Adolph
Cronin, Michael	Locher, Francis Joseph	Wiley, Walter
Darling, Eleazer Taylor	McCormick, James D.	Williams, Henry
Dearden, Robert	Parry, Evan	Worsley, Alfred—38.
Develey, Henry Keynser	Ray, William Martin	

FORBESTOWN LODGE, No. 50.

Forbestown, Butte County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Nathaniel Dunbar Plum, <i>Master</i> ,	Andrew Jackson Catlett, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Nicholas Weaver Slater, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Hitour Dodson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Norman Sill Williams, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Alexander Ellis Anderson, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Enoch Averey Emerson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Slater,
Thomas Fox Conrad, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Frederick Schultz, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Erastus Elliot, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Wallace Homer Chappell,	Samuel Thomas Bowers,	Alex. Ellis Anderson.
Nathaniel Dunbar Plum,		

MASTER MASONS :

Allen, John Emmet	Harris, Oren Chamberlin	Pratt, Enoch Henry
Banta, John Dill	Haven, Elisha	Rich, Joseph Jones
Beik, Frederick	Haven, Daniel J.	Roberts, Abraham Ferguson
Bosworth, Horatio Foote	Hurles, Smith Harrington	Rutter, James Warner
Braddock, David Washing'n	Kendall, Wm. Beauchamp	Ryant, Isaac Whitmore
Brooking, James	Lucos, John Concolves	Sleight, Henry
Collins, John	Martin, Christopher	Thompson, Mans
Cornall, Peter Morris	McMillan, James	Turner, John
Derrick, Charles Melvin	McMillan, John Gilmore	Twogood, Gaylord S. Wilsey
Dowell, John	McMillan, William James	Walsh, Michael
Emerson, Ralph Waldo	Mitchell, George Joseph	Wilson, Hiram Lindley
Garton, Lewis	Nichless, Richard	Wilson, Melvin W.
Gildmacher, Melchior	Oliver, Thomas John	Youlen, William
Hankins, Andrew Jackson	Packard, Andrew Jackson	Young, Henry George—55.

RESTORED :

Brooking, James	Mitchell, George Joseph	Sleight, Henry—3.
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WITHDRAWN :

Gaskill, DeWitt Clinton	Sullivan, Philip—2.
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ILLINOISTOWN LODGE, No. 51.

Colfax, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

William Bainbridge Storey, <i>Master</i> ,	Morris Lobner, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Simon Manuel, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Seland Cadgew, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Leopold Lobner, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Cook, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Wanton Alfred Himes, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Hooper, }
James Barrows Hayford, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Albert Holliday Smith, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

George Wash. Applegate,	James Peverly Hodgdon,	William Bainbridge Storey,
Wanton Alfred Himes,	Morris Lobner,	William Barrows Hayford.
William Benjamin,		

MASTER MASONS:

Alcorn, Baneford	Hoagland, Joseph Ankney	Peden, Albert Oliver
Allen, Lorenzo Thomas	Johnson, Gustave Adolph.	Provan, William
Barrett, George Apelby	Marx, Charles	Queen, Christopher
Boden, Thomas	Murphy, Bernard	Richardson, George Wash'n
Brainard, George Seth	Osborn, Robert Smith	Rowe, William
Campbell, Arch. Deverell	Osborn, Watson Brown	Vare, Edmund
Frery, Elisha Franklin	Parker, Samuel Emmerson	Voss, Louis
Guptil, Willard William	Parks, James Henry	Wood, William Thomas—38.

WITHDRAWN:

McGuire, Jesse Milton—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Dewell, John C.	Fingland, John	Mitchell, Joseph—3.
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SUISUN LODGE, No. 55.**Suisun, Solano County.**

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Eben Dorman Perkins, <i>Master</i> ,	Ezra Belden Hurlbutt, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Milton Jones, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Albert Alexander Dickey, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
William Gustavus Davisson, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Abner Elias Charles, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Kimball Hoyt, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Peter Jay Chrisler,
Alexander Dunn, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Anthony Gillespie, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Neils Anderson, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Sampson Smith,	Stephen Kirby Nurse,	Moses Dinkenspiel,
Eben Dorman Perkins,	Jerome Bon'p'te Richardson,	Allen Charles Miller,
John Bonaparte Lemon,	Joseph Pickle Jones,	James Monroe Vance.

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, David Hawes	Dinkenspiel, Adolph	Hoyt, George Adolphus
Arnold, Gilbert Conger	Doggett, William Jordan	Hoyt, Julian Buel
Bacon, William	Edwards, James Garrot	Hunnell, Freeman
Bauman, Jacob Henry	Ewing, Joshua Craig	James, Nicholas
Brown, William Bernard	Ferrell, John	Jones, Frederick Sidney
Carrington, John Bennett	Frank, Jacob	Kinlock, John Gulick
Capell, James Smith	Galbraith, James	Lambie, John
Cerkel, Wolf	Gapen, John McGee	Leithead, William
Chapman, Aiddeline L.	Gardner, George Gordon	Lockie, John Albert
Coghlan, John Maxwell	Gettier, Charles Peter	Long, Peter
Coghlan, Oscar Rapier	Hall, George Washington	Malchi, John
Cooper, Matthew Montg'y	Harris, Henry	Marston, Jeremiah Hobbs
Cotting, Hartley Bernard	Hewitt, Amos Lorenzo	McCreary, Daniel
Cutler, Jacob	Hoag, James Robert	Meins, Robert

Morris, Samuel Anthony	Porter, George Seward	Stewart, Samuel
Olsen, Peter	Reeves, Columbus Palestine	Tyrrell, John
Owens, John Wren	Spencer, William	Voorhamme, John Mathew
Palmer, Philip	Stamper, Joseph Wolf	Votypka, John
Patton, John	Stephens, William Bell	Woods, John—77.
Pennell, William		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Richardson, William Manning—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Gordon, William Reeves, William Wynn Redman Bock, Carl Frederick—3.

WITHDRAWN:

Brown, Charles Wesley—1.

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT:

McNulty, James—1.

VOLCANO LODGE, No. 56.

Volcano, Amador County.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

James Adams, <i>Master</i> ,	Joseph Goodall, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Warren Quincy Mason, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Reuben Frederick Frye, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Louis Ludekens, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Elbridge William Huey, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Peter Alonzo Clute, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Holbert Harnon, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Benjamin Ross, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Provis,
	George Collins, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Robert Stewart,	Lauchlin McLaine,	James Adams.
Charles Wilson,		

MASTER MASONS:

Bereni, Antoni	Foster, John Adams	Miller, John
Boyle, William Clinton	Griesbach, Jacob	Provis, Francis
Case, John Nelson	Harker, John	Schmidt, John
Cleveland, Francis James	Hipkins, Richard Lawson	Story, William Riley
Coughlin, Daniel	Kelley, Dennis	Walker, Louis Frank
Daiss, Antone	Ledford, Amos Seabourn	Wassessa, Joseph
Dillian, William David	Loree, Samuel Hewitt	Wright, Nathan Thomas
Evans, Samuel Washington	McKinnon, Mal'm Campbell	—37.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Griesbach, George Hughes, Samuel—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Seibenthaler, Philip White, Matthew—2.

SANTA ROSA LODGE, No. 57.

Santa Rosa, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Robert Press Smith, Jr., <i>Master</i> ,	Henry Davis Russill, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Neblett, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Chas. Loraine Phelps, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Augustus Leander Fisher, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Strom, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Elijah Thompson Farmer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Ernst August Siegelken, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Allison Burr Ware, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Daniel Cox Nicoll,
Julio Carillo, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Lorenzo Don Latimer,	Thomas Phipps Baxter,	John Tyler Campbell,
Abraham Clay Rainey,	Jeremiah Burckhalter,	William McSure Evans.
Joseph Henry Griggs,		

MASTER MASONS:

Ames, Charles Gardner	Flippin, Joseph Thomas	McIlmoil, John
Andrews, Peter	Fortson, John Thomas	Melson, John Brown
Beam, Jeremiah	Fulkerson, Richard	Metcalf, Sam'l Washington
Berka, John	Fulkerson, Theodorus	Mizer, Henry Clay
Bond, William Hammet	Furgerson, Walter Cecoir	Morrow, James, Jr.
Boorman, Benjamin Nash	Gleason, Cyrus Sidney	Murdock, Louis A.
Boyce, John Franklin	Glynn, Francis J. Bonap'te	Nash, William Hewston
Branthover, Daniel	Gobel, Nerces	O'Rear, William Edgar
Brittain, Martin Adams	Gordon, James Burns	Park, Alvah W.
Brown, John	Griggs, William Benjamin	Paul, Henry Clay
Brown, Samuel	Hailman, Peter Adam	Prince, Peter
Bumpus, Cyrus Hamlin	Hall, Lowry Bishop	Prindle, William
Campbell, James Peart	Heisel, Paul	Redman, Chris. Columbus
Caldwell, Francis Marion	Henderson, William	Roney, James Madison
Clark, Jacob Brown	Henley, Barclay	Rupe, David Crockett
Clark, James Preston	Hicks, James Oliver	Shaw, David Bogley
Cocke, William Thomas	Holmes, Chas. Hazlewood	Short, Zalner Arthniel
Cummings, Leander	Holmes, Henderson Phineas	Simons, John Sharp
Curry, Isaac	Hudson, Taliafero Flournoy	Stanley, William Barton
Dalton, Thomas Benton	Hutchinson, Samuel	Taylor, John Shackelford
Davis, Elisha Lacy	Hughes, John	Thompson, Robert August
Davis, Preston Randolph	Jackson, Ed. New'n Barnes	Thompson, Thomas Larkin
Doychert, Julius	Jarvis, Dustin	Tupper, George Anderson
Drennan, Thomas Jefferson	Johnson, John F.	Vanderhoof, Martin Van B.
Duncan, Daniel	Johnson, William Thomas	Vehling, Frederick
Duncan, James Parker	Julliard, Charles Frederick	Williams, James Monroe
Dunwoody, Alexander	Keim, Benjamin Franklin	Wise, Henry
Durham, Thomas	Korbel, Anton Francis	White, John McCollouck
Dyer, Robert Decatur	Label, Himan	Wilks, George Washington
Estinghausen, Wm. Adams	Lorch, John Martin	Willis, Thomas Nathan
Farmer, Chris. Columbus	Maede, August	Wood, Benj. Seawell
Farmer, John Hudson	McCoy, James	Young, Frank William
Fitzgerald, Adolph Leigh		

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ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Hixon, Andrew

Nagle, Frederic Gough- 2.

WITHDRAWN :

Bloom, Herman	Morris, James William	Thornton, George Alexander
Claypool, Jeremiah	Reed, William Carson	—5.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Arkles, Seth Joshua	Borer, John	Hathaway, Frank—3.
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DIED:

Hayes, Robert Kirtley	Johnson, Melville	Obreen, Jacques Arnauld—4.
Ingram, John		

UNION LODGE, No. 58.

Sacramento, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Charles Fox Shields, <i>Master,</i>	George Thompson Bush, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Samuel Gerson, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Aaron Garlick, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
John McArthur, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	John William Rock, <i>Marshal,</i>
Anthony Egl, <i>Treasurer,</i>	William Bartels, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Alfred Augustus Redington, <i>Secretary,</i>	Alphonse Dennerly, }
John Harmon C. Bonte, <i>Chaplain,</i>	George Stoddard, <i>Organist,</i>
	Petrage Zacharias, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Richard Dale,	Alfred Augustus Redington,	Charles Mortimer Cogan,
John William Rock,	Samuel Crawford Denson,	Creed Haymond,
Isaac Baldwin Cooledge,	John Austin Cunningham,	Joseph Hull.

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, Horace	Clark, Jerome Franklin	Goodrich, Marcy Jewett
Allen, John Francis	Clement, Lewis Metzler	Gregg, George
Ashworth, James Henry	Cluness, William Robert	Guild, William Allen
Ayer, Isaac	Coles, Thorn	Hack, Julius Frederick
Barclay, Simeon	Collins, James Bernard	Hardy, Thomas
Belcher, John Cleveland	Cowan, William Henderson	Harper, James
Bell, William M.	Crofton, Samuel William	Hart, Albert
Berkey, Thomas Henry	Davis, Harris	Hawkins, Walter Lewis
Bliss, Sidney	Douglas, Philip	Hawkins, William
Bradley, John	Eddy, William	Heilbron, Frederick
Bradshaw, Oliver Lewis	Eichrodt, Max	Howe, Leland
Braun, Augustus	English, William Garrison	Hunt, William Smith
Bremer, William Herman	Feldheim, Nathan G.	Huntsinger, Eli
Brewington, Benj. Smith	Fillmore, Jerome Adolph	Inwalle, John Joseph
Brooks, John Hosley	Fitch, William Cyrus	Jutrosinski, Isidore
Brougham, Fred'k Pierce	Fletcher, Lawrence	Keber, John
Brown, John Rudd	Flint, Addison Augustus	Kimball, Gorham Gates
Buchanan, John	Forbes, Robert	Klink, Charles Ferdinand
Bush, David	Fraze, Robert Smith	Knauer, Lawrence
Byers, Robert Hopkins	Fuller, William Walton	Kohn, Henry
Cashman, Matthew Smith	Gilmer, Thomas Waterford	Kreuzberger, Lucas
Cavanaugh, Bartley	Glissmann, Charles	Lavenson, Samuel
Chadderton, John Lockw'd	Goodman, Adolph	Laws, Robert James

Leitch, George Whitfield	Price, William	Turpin, John Nathaniel
Levison, Jacob	Rademacher, Charles	Tyrrell, George Gerald
Lippett, Phillip	Richardson, Parson	Uren, Stephen
Long, Jeremiah	Rothfeld, Sigmund	Van Voorhies, Albert Alex.
Mallard, George Harvey	Rugg, Joseph Percival	Wait, George Smith
McCormack, Charles	Schaefer, Louis	Watson, John Richard
McKay, Daniel	Schrieber, Simon	Welch, Benjamin
Meister, August	Scott, William	Welch, George Drake
Meyer, William	Scully, George Jeffery	White, George Amos
Morris, Patrick T.	Shaw, Ira Clark	Wilder, Osgood
Morsehead, William	Shearer, Arthur Benton	Wilkinson, Joseph Rogers
Moseley, Samuel	Smith, George Boardman	Wilson, Jesse Warren
O'Brien, Michael	Snider, Thornton Andrew	Wingate, Richard Pike
O'Dolan, Bernard	Stephenson, James Mitchell	Witham, Gilbert Tapley
Palmer, Asa John Wood	Stevens, Herman Dagett	Woodburn, James
Peterson, Nicholas	Sutliff, Levi Beardslie	Yoerk, Charles Augustus
Peterson, Wm. Frederick	Taylor, Edward Tyffe	Youngs, William
Phillips, Louis	Titus, Benjamin	Zenovich, Stephen Severius

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ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Reidel, Frank	Sheldon, William Chauncey	Sidebotham, Henry—3.
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WITHDRAWN:

Curtis, John Frederick—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Hunt, George Smith—1.

DIED :

Bachman, Rudolph—1.

GRAVEL RANGE LODGE, No. 59.

Camptonville, Yuba County.

Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Josiah Perkins Brown, <i>Master</i> ,	John George McLellan, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William H. Groves, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William John Baden, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
David Calvin, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Arthur Gardner Miller, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Alexander Meek, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Daniel Locey, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Richard Munt, <i>Secretary</i> ,	David Henry Landeker, }
Joseph Henry Fuller, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Josiah Perkins Brown,	Richard Munt,	John George McLellan,
Charles O'Hara,	William H. Groves,	John Emmons Fuller.
Joshua Hutchings Variel,		

MASTER MASONS :

Andrews, John	Beaman, John Henry	Covey, Eugene Beauharnais
Arnott, Alexander	Beartsch, Christian	Crawford, Wm. Alexander
Arnott, James	Bibber, Charles H.	Elias, Isaac
Baker, Richard	Butz, Peter	Elias, Samuel
Baker, Silas Sherman	Byrd, Thomas Jackson	Gage, Moses Dwight

Gibson, William Walker	Meek, John Robert	Phillips, Thomas
Jones, John George	Miseley, Christian	Rowlands, Evan Richard
Jones, Thomas	Moison, Charles P.	Russell, Peter
Jones, Thomas Lewis	Nelson, James	Spencer, Stephen
Kennady, John Rufus	Nickleson, Ishm'l Henderson	Thomas, Hugh Mathew
Mansur, Carlos Frederick	Pellisson, Peter	Watts, Jeremiah
Marrow, Otis Nelson	Pelton, Lester Allen	Williams, Thomas
McLellan, Charles	Peterson, Johannes	Wilond, John Christopher
McMurry, Valentine Cook		—54.

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Andrews, Ormand Baker Smith, Charles—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Bristow, William—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bodkins, David Hardee Darneal, Edwin Marlborough Miller, Walter Henry—3.

PLUMAS LODGE, No. 60.

Quincy, Plumas County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Arthur Walter Keddie, <i>Master</i> .	Robert Norsen Smith, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Abell Van Norden, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Daniel Robertson Smith, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Edwin Edwards, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Rob't Henry Fauntleroy Variel, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Asher Cohn, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Glover Phelps,
Thomas Franklin Hersey, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Christian Frederick Miller, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Hardin Larrison, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

John Daniel Goodwin, Thomas Franklin Hersey, Robert Henry Fauntleroy Variel.

MASTER MASONS:

Andrews, Wm. Hutchinson	Gentry, James Christy	McGee, John Baarahm
Berry, Henry Winslow	Goodwin, Samuel	Messerer, Joseph
Boring, Isaac Campbell	Grubbs, Elisha Parker	Myers, Sylvester
Brown, Henry Nathan	Haycock, Thomas	Nash, Nelson Perley
Bull, Daniel Miller	Heath, Elisha Andres	Neal, Thomas
Byers, William Thomas	Hogan, Edmund Thomas	Prince, Thomas Brown
Chaplain, Charles	Houck, James Henry	Sanders, Robert
Cohn, Lewis	Howard, Peter	Sawyer, John James
Dean, Wilson Seaman	Jacks, Richard	Thompson, Christopher
Dempster, James	Keep, Albert	Titus, Abner Smith
Ephriam, Leopold	Kimball, Mathew Harvey	Turner, John William
Folsom, Daniel	Lefoon, James	Whiting, Trenton Berkley
Forman, John Halsey		—49.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Wagner, William—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Maurer, Henry Rudolph

Stiles, George Washington—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Dwinel, Aaron Lorenzo—1.

DIED:

Coburn, Benjamin Kaulback, Charles Thomas—2.

LIVE OAK LODGE, No. 61.

Oakland, Alameda County.

*Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

James Todd Gardiner, <i>Master</i> ,	George Edward Bennison, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Carleton Marsh, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	George Elliott Farwell, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Raglan Glascock, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Morris Rosenberg, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Samuel Hirshberg, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Lamont, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Lentell, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Owens, }
Benjamin Akerly, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	John Ross, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Jeremiah Elkins Whitcher,	James Ogden Miner,	James Christopher Martin,
Francis Kittridge Shattuck,	James Lentell,	Horace Barton Pomroy,
Benjamin Akerly,	James Carter Kyte,	George Malcomson Yard.
Franklin Warner,	Thatcher Peter Wales,	

MASTER MASONS :

Andresen, Harold Sophus	Fairchild, Oscar L. Crandall	Marshall, William Broad
Ash, Herman	Farrington, Elvin Dunn	Mathews, Julius Case
Bagge, Christian	Fehr, John Louis	McConnell, James Davison
Baker, Peter	Gabb, William Moore	McKee, Robert Linington
Baldwin, David Martin	Gemmell, Alexander	McKeever, Charles
Balmforth, Ralph	Gerry, Thomas	McKenzie, William William
Bankhead, Hugh	Gleason, George	Neilsen, Anders Peter Wm.
Bates, Charles David	Gray, Martin Luther	Nolan, Stephen
Bell, Samuel Bookstaver	Gross, Wm. Gustave Const'e	Olmsted, Sheldon Patter'n
Blair, George Washington	Grosso, Wm. Constantine	Partenscky, Charles
Blake, George Franklin	Gruen, John	Powers, Oliver Pollard
Blake, John Joseph	Gunn, John Cristar	Prosser, Walter
Block, Emanuel Daniel	Hall, Joseph Lee	Rasmussen, Hans
Bowen, William Jones	Harlow, Wm. Sturtevant	Reid, Charles Wood
Brooks, James Marcus	Harrison, William Greer	Reinstadler, Francois
Burner, John Davies	Healke, Hellwig Leopold	Roff, Harry Loren
Carleton, George Henry	Henninger, Frederick	Russell, Edward Knight
Carrick, John Willard	Heywood, Samuel	Ruth, John
Chamberlain, Alfred Mellen	Hillebrand, Henry	Schaffner, Friedrich
Chappellet, Felix	Hitchcock, Harry Elisha	Schmidt, John Carl
Clark, Marion	Hobbs, Levitt Moses	Simpson, Joseph Cairn
Clayton, William Burt	Howe, Micha Mead	Smith, Joseph
Cochran, Jesse Franklin	Irwin, John Clarke	Snyder, Andrew Jackson
Collins, William	Janssen, Fred'k Geo. Ernst	Snyder, Lyman Nutt
Conley, Charles	Jansen, Rasmus	Stahl, Benjamin Franklin
Cooms, Henry	Jose, William Hocking	Taylor, James
Cordes, Paul Henry	Kenedy, James	Tilley, Gabriel Henderson
Coursen, Edgar Abraham	Kindgren, Chister William	Todtmann, Theodore Ernst
Cunningham, Patrick Jas.	King, William Andrew	Van Voorhies, William
DeGolia, Darwin	Lamont, Thomas	Williams, Alpheus Fuller
Dieves, Joseph	Lindeman, Henry	Williams, Mark Anthony
Dinsmore, Luther	Luelling, Oregon C.	Williams, Nicholas
Eastman, Moses Hayden	Mann, Benjamin Franklin	Wilson, James
Eaton, Henry Jones	Marsh, Charles Pantier	Woolsey, Elliott Hartman
Everett, Daniel Henry		

FELLOW CRAFT :

Wingate, Isaac Cannon—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Beck, Thomas
Driver, JamesHine, Willis Henry
Oberg, JohnYarndly, Richard Thomas
Young, Louis—6.

RESTORED :

Haines, Rufus Rowe—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Barnett, Rufus Putnam
Bastian, Fritz
Bolton, William
Brown, Brainard Charles
Buchanan, AlexanderHaines, Rufus Rowe
Houghton, Frederic T.
Knudsen, Andrew
McGregor, John
McKeen, Albert AtwaterOakes, Daniel Briggs
Phelan, William Seymour
Robertson, Daniel
Wallis, Albert—14.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

McCord, William P.—1.

GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 62.

Chinese, Tuolumne County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Daniel T. Bartlett, *Master*,
Louis Egling, *Senior Warden*,
Alpheus Sherman Orcutt, *Junior Warden*,
John Christian Mann, *Treasurer*,
Royal Mills Lampson, *Secretary*,Henry Meyer, *Senior Deacon*,
John Ernst, *Junior Deacon*,
Martin Ray Hurlbert, *Marshal*,
Samuel Dick,
Charles Frederick Wade, } *Stewards*,Peter Meyer, *Tyler*.

Past Masters :

Roscoe Follansbee,

Frederick Weyer,

Daniel T. Bartlett.

MASTER MASONS :

Bacon, Martin
Beckwith, Wm. Jeremiah
Crawford, William Dickey
Hurlbert, EgbertKlattenhoff, Diebrich
Love, Rufus King
Morris, JamesSolinsky, Christ'n Wm. Hugo
Taylor, Albert
Taylor, John—23.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Comfort, John Van Cott—1.

DIED :

Schnell, Peter—1.

NATOMA LODGE, No. 64.

Folsom, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

James Henry Burnham, <i>Master</i> ,	Simon Stamper, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Warren Houston, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Michael Rawlings Riddle, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Michael Doll, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Conkey Crosett, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Joshua Hughes Smith, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Richard Augustus Reed, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Wallace Sheldon, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Alex. Bingham, }
Frederick Holzinger, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Alfred Spinks,	Edward Christy,	John Adams Odell,
William Timson,	William Oliver Davis,	Christian Ludwig Ecklon.

MASTER MASONS :

Bates, Benjamin Franklin	House, John Lorn	Mills, Robert Trimble
Brown, Hy. New Hampshire	Hyman, Jacob	Morris, Robert
Burt, John Leroy	Joerger, Joseph	Robinson, Jas. Sam'l Smith
Cohn, Simon	Jones, Edwin Augustus	Saulsbury, Thomp'n Greaves
Comfort, George Middleton	Keefe, Robert	Spaulding, Carroll Oliver
Davisson, Thomas	Kinsey, John Edgar	Stephenson, Thomas
Ehrke, Geo. Julius Herman	Kyburg, Samuel	Sturgess, James Henry
Farmer, William	Lamblett, Frederick	Webbena, Gerget Mensen
Gable, Jacob	Levy, Edward Rodgers	Wilson, Egbert Livingston
Griffin, Michael	Meredith, James Sebastian	Woolson, Ezra
Holzinger, Herman	Miller, Jacob	Yager, Peter—50.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Kaese, George William Henry—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Stout, James—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Couch, Jesse—1.

AMADOR LODGE, No. 65.

Jackson, Amador County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Wallace Kay, <i>Master</i> ,	John Giusto, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Walter Scott Cooledge, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Frederick Ketcham Taber, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Bayless Kerr, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Raphael Rugne, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Antonio Arata, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Antonio Garbarini, }
William Boon Sanders, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Francesco Rocca, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Michael Jones Little,	Robert Aitken,	Wallace Kay.
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MASTER MASONS :

Belluomini, Giovanni	Holtz, Peter	Sharp, William
Berryman, Andrew	Kales, Martin William	Skinner, John
Chichizola, Augustino	Liard, Jean	Smith, William
Cola, Pietro	Mace, Fayette	Spagnoli, Diavol Benedetto
Cosner, Robert	Mattly, David	Spagnoli, Sylvester Giovanni
Eddy, Edward	Milliken, Jesse	Steckler, Charles
Farley, James Thompson	Norton, William Henry	Stevens, James Baunty
Ford, Henry Darnel	Old, John	Turner, Clarence Helmer
Ford, Hiram Wilder,	Pernollet, Jean	Walther, Otto
Fullen, John	Radovich, Nicholas	Whetstone, Wash'n Taylor
Harry, Henry	Robinson, John Andrew	Wittman, Anthony—47.
Heming, David	Samuels, Joseph	

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Giannini, Guiseppe Maria

Giusto, Ambroggio—2.

WITHDRAWN :

DIED :

Reichling, Peter Wehle, Isaac—2.

Froelich, Charles Peyser, Isaac—2.

FOREST LODGE, No. 66.

Alleghany, Sierra County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

James McNaughton, <i>Master,</i>	Moses Sylvanus Harriman, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Charles Brainerd, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	John W. McNulty, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
John Ross, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Hiram Wilsie Wallis, <i>Marshal,</i>
John T. Bradbury, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Broder Haas, { <i>Stewards,</i>
Josiah Lefever, <i>Secretary,</i>	Henry, William Stilck, }
David Edward Thompson, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters:

John Kirkpatrick,	Moses Sylvanus Harriman,	John T. Bradbury.
George Washington Perkins,		

MASTER MASONS:

Abbe, George Henry	Gale, John	McIntyre, Archibald
Anderson, John	Hammond, Samuel X.	Meany, Nathan Holbridge
Bonham, Perry	Hanley, William A.	Meily, Emanuel Augustus
Briggs, James Orville	Hockelberg, Bernard	Miller, Abraham Herman
Cooper, William Wallace	Jonkin, Alfred	Prescott, LeRoy
Crafts, Samuel Storrs	Jenkin, Thomas Henry	Pugh, Theophilus
Deisem, Charles S.	Johnson, James Yates	Thompson, James
Deyoe, William Anson	Jones, John Oscar	Van Wagner, Nehemiah
Dierstein, William	Killip, William Charles	Wayland, William Allen
Eastman, Newell Bigford	Lawrence, George	West, John Thorensius
Ellery, Henry, Jr.	Malone, Rowland Curtin	Wilson, William Wilfrid
Erskine, William	Martin, George C.	Young, Frederick Edward
Fuller, Theodore	McGregor, James	—51.

WITHDRAWN:

Bonham, John
Shawness, John H.

Stevens, Orvis

Stone, Edwin—4.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Crane, Lauren Elliott	Kibbee, Clark	Rennie, John—5.
Harper, Thomas	Langstaff, Mathew Chalder	

DIED :

Koutz, John—1.

MORNING STAR LODGE, No. 68.

Stockton, San Joaquin County.

Stated Meetings, fourth Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS :

George Alexander McKenzie, <i>Master</i> ,	Edwin Banks Noble, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Benj. Franklin Bagley, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Alvin Emansua Aubry, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Doran Lucius Campbell, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	David House Huffman, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Thomas Kent Hook, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Yardley,
Morris Hartwell Bond, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Hyde Cross,
	Thomas Driver, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

George Augustus Shurtleff,	Thomas Kent Hook,	Edward Richard Hedges,
William Montg'ry Baggs,	Henry Sumner Sargent,	George Alex. McKenzie,
Valentine Mason Peyton,	Frederick Macondray West,	Joseph Mortimer Koon,
Henry Coffin Shaw,	Emanuel Block,	Frank Sanborn Hatch.

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, Franklin Rhodes	Choate, Thomas Baker	Greene, William Ellsworth
Arnold, Frederick	Clark, Robert	Harshbarger, Isaac Newton
Bachman, Carl August	Clayes, Orlando Metcalf	Harp, William Middleton
Bailey, Lamertine Edward	Confer, Solomon Lytle	Harrison, William Bruce
Bainbridge, Jas. Absalom	Conklin, Jesse	Harwood, Simon
Baldwin, Calvin Pryor	Cooper, Calvin Savage	Henderson, Abram Jamison
Bambauer, Daniel	Covert, Henry Marcus	Henderson, Milton Pierce
Barber, Joseph Martin	Crawford, Thomas	Hickman, Edward
Bargion, Peter	Cunningham, Thomas	Hildreth, George Francis
Barling, Franklin	Dorr, William Augustus	Hood, Edward Elbridge
Bauer, Hermann	Dorrance, Henry Tully	Hudson, Abijah Thurston
Beasley, Charles	Doss, Stephen Colman	Hussey, John Clark
Bertrand, Louis	Dryfous, Emile	Innes, Gidley
Beysser, Louis	Earsom, John William	Ivery, Charles Oscar
Blanchard, George Bradley	Elliott, Lyman Weston	Jamieson, And'w Robertson
Blessing, Jacob	Ellis, John	Jockers, David
Braids, John	Evans, George Spafford	Kees, William
Brooks, Alexander William	Fanning, Howard Malcolm	Kidd, James Edward
Brown, Philip Thomas	Fletcher, Willard Franklin	Lang, Henry Prior
Bumb, Peter Andrew	Fyfe, Joseph	Lang, Lewis Hawkins
Burkett, Alexander	Gardner, Thomas M.	La Rue, John Milton
Bury, Daniel William	Gibson, Wm. Thos. Atherton	Lehe, Eugène
Butler, Charles Frederick	Gillingham, Henry William	Lehman, David
Carner, Charles Isaac	Gnekow, Rudolph	Lewis, Washington Oceola
Castle, Christop'r Champlin	Grattan, John	Lewthwaite, John

Lux, Frederick Edward	Perkins, Charles Edwin	Stevens, Eben Shepard
Lyon, Lemuel Elisha	Ralph, Calvin Rawson	Stockton, Elias Alonzo
McCleary, John	Ralph, Wm. Henry Harrison	Stowell, John
McKinne, Barna	Ranney, Sullivan	Stroeter, Henry William
Merrill, Isaac Newton	Requa, James Edgar	Swain, Cornelius
Michaels, Benjamin Keefe	Ring, Greenleaf	Tripp, William Osial
Milco, Nicolo	Robbins, Henry Ephraim	Tschierscky, E. M. Louis
Monahan, Patrick	Robinson, Granville	Tucker, Frederick Mann
Myrick, John Edward	Rohrbacher, Philip	Underhill, Henry Bears
Neff, Andrew Daniel	Ross, Ichabod Olmsted	Vance, John Anderson
Neill, Josiah Dunlap	Sampson, Charles Selestina	Webber, James Stephen
Nichols, John	Schroder, John George	Webster, Joshua Bertran
Noble, Arthur Morgan	Scott, Edward	Wilhoit, Roley Earley
Northey, Thaddeus Warsaw	Shaw, Moses Johnson	Wilson, Thomas A.
Orr, Nelson Mills	Southrey, John Nicolas	Woolsey, William
Overheiser, Wm. Lafayette	Stamper, Isaac	Worth, John Cannel—145.
Patterson, Charles Wesley		

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Chadbourne, Henry	Curran, Thomas	Nicewonger, Levi Hull—3.
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RESTORED :

Covert, Henry Marcus	Stevens, Eben Shepard—2.
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WITHDRAWN :

Phillips, Bennett—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Hawkins, Jacob	Tissot, Jean François—2.
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DIED :

Hume, James—1.

ENTERPRISE LODGE, No. 70.

Yuba City, Sutter County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Lorenzo Dow Parkhurst, <i>Master</i> ,	Geo. Wash'n Carpenter, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Abra'm Brewer Van Arsdale, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	James Littlejohn, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Parkhurst Smith, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Samuel Haws Ross, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Caleb Elisha Wilcoxson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Benjamin Franklin Walton, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Jefferson Monroe Thomas, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Paxton Onstott,
Ogilvie Moncur, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Caleb Elisha Wilcoxson,	Jesse Harrison Craddock,	Samuel Haws Ross,
James William Gaither,	Moody Curtis Clark,	Geo. Washington Carpenter.
Philip Walter Keyser,	Richard Bayne,	

MASTER MASONS :

Apple, Joseph Henry	Brice, John William	Dobbins, Thomas
Barnett, Richard	Clyma, Thomas Sanford	Ferguson, Thomas Henry
Bowmer, James Mahan	Connell, Michael	Fields, Charles Becom
Brown, John	Cooper, Frederick	Fox, Thomas
Bruce, John Jasper	Cress, Jacob Daniel	Galbraith, Thomas Arthur

Gelzehauser, John	Marcuse, Jonas	Shermeir, John Henry
Gillenwater, Joseph Hogan	Mattison, Charles	Smith, Gilbert Nelson
Harkey, William Pinckney	Mayfield, Isaac Jasper	Soderland, Johannes
Hendricks, Edgar James	McDonald, John James	Sullivan, John Lyons
Herrold, Ebenezer William	Mitchell, Speed Smith	Van Fleet, Geo. Washington
Honan, Michael Francis	Myers, John Henry	Van Fleet, William
Ink, Walter Payne	Sage, George Marion	Weeman, Charles
Johnston, Benj. Franklin	Schuessler, Henry Herman	Wilson, Sanford Ellis—55.

FELLOW CRAFTS :

Heikin, Henry

Watts, Albert Joseph—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Anderson, Robert	Hicks, Jesse	Rainey, John William
Chappell, William	Keck, Alfred	Turfrey, Luke
Dunwell, E. B.	Lambeith, John	Watson, Delacy William—9.

WITHDRAWN :

Holliday, Trotter—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Brown, Ransom Daniel—1.

NEBRASKA LODGE, No. 71.

Michigan Bar, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

George Washington Sweat, <i>Master</i> ,	Oscar Hugo Kister, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Alderson, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Jordan, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Charles William Street, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Seth Beardsley Moore, <i>Marshal</i> ,
James Monroe Brown, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Vanness Allin Brown,
Samuel Welsh Prothero, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Wm. Robinson Grimshaw,
	George Watkins Heath, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Master :

George Watkins Heath.

MASTER MASONS :

Balis, Geo. Washington	Hutchinson, James Exodus	Tubbs, John Charles
Barron, John Ennor	McCormick, Isaac Newton	Tucker, James
Dixon, William Henry	Reardon, John	Winegar, Charles Orra
Heath, John Wesley	Richards, Charles	Zumwalt, Joseph Smith—24.
Howell, Sidney Algernon		

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Plummer, Oliver—1.

RESTORED :

Balis, Geo. Washington	Dixon, William Henry	Reardon, John—3.
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WITHDRAWN :

Harris, Ezekiel	Weyburn, John Kay	Yager, Peter—4.
Perkins, John Dabney		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Robertson, Eli Harwood—1.

BEAR MOUNTAIN LODGE, No. 76.

Angels, Calaveras County.

Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

William Andrew Kelly, <i>Master</i> ,	Samuel August Roberts, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Lagomarsino, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Brown, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Mattson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	George Hardy, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Bartholomew Romaga Prince, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Reddick, }
Alexander Love, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Hollen Prout, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

William Andrew Kelly,	James Fitzgerald Anderson,	William Terrell Lewis.
Thomas Jefferson Deer,		

MASTER MASONS :

Augustine, Cypriano	Cooley, John	Lee, Thomas
Augustine, Joseph Maria	Crossett, Thomas	McKey, James
Bense, Adolphus	Curnow, Joseph	Scribner, John Charles
Blood, Harvey	Gardner, John	West, Frederick William
Coddington, William		—26.

RESTORED:

Willcox, Leonard G.—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Willcox, Leonard G.—1.

PETALUMA LODGE, No. 77.

Petaluma, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

William Emory Cox, <i>Master</i> ,	John Loranger, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Shadrach Greene, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Michael Engel, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Hazen Rugg, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Hulme Knowles, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Cavanagh, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Reubin McFadden, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Henry Haven, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Almon Thomas Johnson, }
	John Schwartz, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Dennison Delos Carter,	Shadrach Greene,	Hiram Fayette Taft,
Oscar Valentine Walker,	David Jay,	William Emory Cox.
William Melville Brown,		

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, William Thomas	Davis, Julius Almont	Fell, James Norton
Barlow, Warren	Densmore, Geo. Frederick	Finch, Henry Price
Beggs, Thomas J.	Dodson, Joseph Hurt	Fitzgerald, James Butler
Brown, Albert Augustus	Engel, Joseph	Gale, Demus
Burnham, Charles Franklin	Fairbanks, Hiram Tobbert	Goldstein, Henry
Carpenter, William	Farley, Francis Hall	Graham, Thomas Jefferson
Cowley, William Ashline	Farrar, Anderson Leach	Hamilton, Geo. Washington

Hawbrick, Leonard
Hinkle, John Baker
Howard, John Friend
Ink, Theron Hotchkiss
Jewell, Isaac Robinson
Lane, Delos Sabin
Little, John David
Long, Edmund Hoffman
Merritt, John
Moffit, John
Morse, Amasa
Ormsby, John Harper

Hedrazzini, Louis
Peyton, James Alexander
Pierce, Abram Jewell
Purvine, William Boliver
Rickert, Theodore M.
Rochford, Thomas
Rose, James Russell
Roseburgh, Allen
Seoville, Asa Corwin
Shattuck, Francis William
Sheldon, Henry Marlin
Smith, John Alexander

Smith, Doctor Sidney
Smith, John T.
Smith, Samuel J.
Taylor, David Whitman
Thompson, Andrew Chester
Walls, David
Warner, William
Warren, John Bronson
Weber, Martin
Wentworth, John Edelbert
Woodworth, Scott Justus
Yoemans, Charles—73.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Magee, Charles Ingram—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Spotswood, Robert Zartman, William—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Monroe, Duncan—1.

CALAVERAS LODGE, No. 78.

San Andreas, Calaveras County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Charles Rienzi Hopkins, *Master*,
William Casey, *Senior Warden*,
John Burke Reddick, *Junior Warden*,
Richard William Kussell, *Treasurer*,
Elisha Bryant Robertson, *Secretary*,

Charles Robert Beal, *Senior Deacon*,
Joseph Raggio, *Junior Deacon*,
William Fairchild Colton, *Marshal*,
Arnold Friedburger, } *Stewards*,
John Alphonso Mingus, }

Charles Lowe Chase, *Tyler*.

Past Masters :

Moses Thorpe,

William Anderson Wallace, Elisha Bryant Robertson.

MASTER MASONS :

Austin, Horace
Bode, Herman
Caven, James
Coulter, Adolph Henry
Cutter, George Webber
Darnell, Coke Burry

Earley, John Chambers
Foster, Jubal Alonzo
Hatch, Charles Metzger
Lobenstein, Emanuel
Newman, Paul
Salcido, Jabiën

Schusler, Peter Philip Hy.
Snyder, Peter Nicholas
Thorn, Abbott Goodard
Thorn, Benjamin Kent
Watson, Henry
Wiggins, Charles—31.

HUMBOLDT LODGE, No. 79.

Eureka, Humboldt County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Charles Frederick Roberts, *Master*,
James Berry Brown, *Senior Warden*,
Alexander Gregor, *Junior Warden*,
Charles William Long, *Treasurer*,
John Sutherland Murray, *Secretary*,
John Sedgfield Thompson, *Chaplain*,

Jos. Dibble Hoyt Chamberlin, *Sen. Deacon*,
Harris Barnes Wentworth, *Junior Deacon*,
John Conrad Schmidt, *Marshal*,
Philbrook Brown, } *Stewards*,
Andrew Hitchings, }
Andrew William Anderson, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Charles William Long,	Silas Montgomery Buck,	John Conrad Schmidt,
John Sutherland Murray,	Obediah Stephen Silkwood,	John Sutherland Murray, Jr.
Richard Wilson Brett,	Stephen Grant Whipple,	Amasa Plummer Flaglor.
John Andrew Watson,		

MASTER MASONS:

Abernethy, Alexander	Gross, Reuben	McLoud, James Archibald
Allen, Leverett Ira	Hanna, James	McNamara, William Jellet
Axe, Frederick	Hanna, William Patterson	Pickard, Daniel
Backens, John Emil	Hansell, Amos	Pratt, David James
Barman, Henry	Harmon, Charles Treadwell	Richardson, Charles
Barman, Mayo	Heney, George Kelton	Robbins, Jos. Marcus Wyght
Bell, Charles	Hoalton, Michael	Sanders, Martin
Bendixen, Hans Ditler	Inman, Jerry	Scott, D. Clinton
Bigelow, Charles Edwin	Jones, William	Stein, Thomas Crozier
Bullock, Nathaniel	Kelly, Henry Purdue	Stegemeire, Henry
Carson, George	Koenig, Lawrence	Stewart, James Hughes
Carson, Thomas	Le Vasseur, William	Stewart, Joseph Scott
Carson, William	Marhoffer, Joseph Edward	Stuart, Joseph Martin
Chester, Martin Theodore	Marshall, Robert	Thompson, Hiram Freeman
Davidson, Jas. Willoughby A.	Matraw, Benjamin Franklin	Wentworth, Eben Clinton
Dennis, Christ'r Cummings	Maxwell, Robert	Wyman, Justus Edwin
Ditman, William	McCullens, David	Young, William
Doe, Herman S.	McKellar, Donald	Young, Nelson—74.
Foster, William Wallace		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Henderson, James William—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Buhne, Hans Herrick

West, William Alfred—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Berry, Horatio Henry

Bullard, Sewell Francis

Douglass, Harmon Lowry—3.

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT:

Belcher, Peter—1.

IONE LODGE, No. 80.**Ione City, Amador County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

John Marchant, <i>Master</i> ,	Jacob Newman, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Robert Sneden Woolsey, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Oscar Burris, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Phillip Surface, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Junius Farnsworth, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Inglefield Burwell Gregory, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Lyman Nixon,
William Arthur Bennetts, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Kirkland Johnston, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Hamilton Gregory, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Junius Farnsworth,	John Whitten Surface,	John Marchant,
Alonzo King Dudley,	Abner Edward Calloway,	John Dabney Perkin
James Cummings,	Bernhard Isaacs,	

MASTER MASONS:

Atkinson, William Wallace	Hall, Henry Franklin	Richey, William Carroll
Bailey, William Smith	Hartman, John	Spencer, Sheldon
Black, Charles Sidney	Hartman, Oliver Cromwell	Stewart, James Franklin
Brusie, Luther	Haverstick, George	Sutherland, William
Clark, Hugh	Henley, Jonathan Specker	Walker, James Cox
Clifton, Thomas	Hubbard, Charles John	Walker, Samuel Nunn
Cook, William	Jonas, Morris	Wallace, William B.
Crabtree, Isaac Jackson	Lamb, Frederick	Waltenspiel, Albert Charles
Crawford, Andrew Kerr	Livermore, James	Whitaker, James Andrew
Dillian, Benjamin Franklin	McMurry, James William	Whitlach, Daniel Harry
Fitzsimmons, John	Newman, George	Williams, Calvin Fletcher
Hanrick, Jesse Culbert	Richards, Thomas	Zyss, Charles—53.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Fox, William Henry

Huston, John Weakley—2.

RESTORED:

Haverstick, George]

Hubbard, Charles John—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Fagan, Edward—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Atkinson, William Alexander—1.

YOLO LODGE, No. 81.

Cacheville, Yolo County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

———, Master,	Abraham Griffith, Senior Deacon,
Charles Wesley Hadley, Senior Warden,	Jas. Madison Pockman, Junior Deacon,
Ulysses Socrates Dewey, Junior Warden,	David Pitt Diggs, Marshal,
George Washing'n Woodward, Treasurer,	Hiram Solomon Brown, }
Richard Solomon Markell, Secretary,	Warren Wayne Hannum, } Stewards,
William Wellington Woodward, Tyler.	

Past Masters:

Alex. Hamilton Willard,	Abraham Griffiths,	Godfrey Rodolph.
David Schindler,	Charles Wesley Hadley,	

MASTER MASONS :

Adams, David Quincy	Freeman, John Watts	Lemieux, Paul
Ayers, Armenius Smith	Gable, Amos William	Pace, John Lewis
Ayers, Orwell Fernandes	Gable, Harvey Clinton	Seltenheim, Hermann
Bork, Charles Henry	Geary, George Jones	Spencer, William Francis
Brown, James Washington	Hall, Thomas	Strong, George
Clark, Noble	Hartsough, John Benjamin	Sussman, Max Adolph
Cramer, Lewis	Hoffman, Augustus	Tebbs, Lilburn Ely—36.
Davidson, Morris	Hulbert, Daniel Bradley	

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

House, Daniel Franklin—1.

RESTORED :

Arnold, W. B.—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Arnold, W. B.
Dutton, James Marshall

Fouch, Albert

Parker, George Lambert—4.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Martin, James Alfred—1.

DIED:

Hutton, James Alexander—1.

RISING STAR LODGE, No. 83.

Forest Hill, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Francis Walker Allan, *Master*,
Erskine Allen, *Senior Warden*,
James Hodges, *Junior Warden*,
Ambrose Hall Cowden, *Treasurer*,
Archibald McKinley, *Secretary*,

Jacob L. Welker, *Senior Deacon*,
Christian Volland, *Junior Deacon*,
Joel Franklin Smith, *Marshal*,
Charles Trafton, } *Stewards*,
Louis Blumenthal, }

Andrew Morehead, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Francis Walker Allan,
Ambrose Hall Cowden,

James Russell Glover,

Jacob Warwick Byrd.

MASTER MASONS :

Acker, Edward M.
Alexander, Edward
Allen, John E.
Bower, David L.
Carter, John Franklin
Chesebro, Erastus F.
Davis, John Lloyd
Dewey, Charles Hitchcock
Fagan, Pierce Bye
Fast, John Henry Adolph
Goff, Abner W.

Henson, William Turner
Hosmer, Daniel 'Mansfield
Hosmer, Thomas Norwood
Huntley, Asabel
Johnson, Magnies
Jones, Benjamin
Jones, John D.
Landers, John Martin
Larabee, Samuel Alonzo
Lind, Charles
McClure, Samuel

Powell, Peyton
Read, Albert Gallatin
Sanborn, John Lock
Scott, Thomas
Seifer, George Henry
Soule, Kendrick Bancroft
Tubbs, Martin Barnum
White, Walter Raleigh
Willard, Simon Sylvester
Williams, Richard
Yapp, Frederick George

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ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Rea, William—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Earl, William

Evans, Nathan Gilbert—2.

VESPER LODGE, No. 84.

Red Bluff, Tehama County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

William Boyd Parker, *Master*,
Henry Charles Richart, *Senior Warden*,
William Brewer Cahoon, *Junior Warden*,
Charles Abijah Campbell, *Treasurer*,
Horace Allen Mayhew, *Secretary*,

William Clark Campbell, *Senior Deacon*,
Herman Henry Wiendieck, *Jun. Deacon*,
Jerome Banks, *Marshal*,
Curtis Durkee Ballard, } *Stewards*,
Eugene William Bahney, }

Ellis Reiser, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

William David Olendorf,	Nathaniel Merrill,	Adoniram Judson Loomis,
William Boyd Parker,	Edward Jefferson Lewis,	John Clements.

***MASTER MASONS:**

Adams, William Moore	Crocker, Nathan	Pettijohn, Chris. Columbus
Alvord, Charles Theodore	DeHaven, Jehiel Smith	Posner, Max
Bean, Leroy S.	Fish, Charles Erskine	Pulse, George
Beecher, Gustavus Winfield	Fite, Abner Colwell	Rawson, Hiram Aaron
Bierce, Roderick Henry	Frank, Samuel Francis	Roberts, James Bartle
Boatman, William	Gedney, David Wetmore	Schoenfeld, Jeremiah
Boice, Thomas Cartmill	Gilson, Thomas	Schoenfeld, Salomon David
Brown, John Wesley	Hale, John Stuart	Schroeder, Aug. G. Bernard
Brown, Martin Van Buren	Hansen, Hans	Shively, Peter Kramer
Brownstein, Jacob	Healey, Lucien Bonaparte	Silver, Monard
Burger, James Samuel	Hicks, Samuel Porter	Smith, Joseph
Cadwalader, Charles	Howard, William Henry	Swain, Theodore Slevin
Cameron, James Strong	Howell, Thomas Newton	Tolly, Henry Harbinson
Campbell, Ebenezer Shaw	Jeffres, George Woodson	Taylor, Fred. Adams
Campbell, Rememb. Hughes	Kauffman, Aug. Abraham	Thomas, Samuel S.
Carthy, Patrick	Kingsley, George Leeman	Trace, Daniel
Champlin, George	Lewis, Samuel	Vestal, Alexander
Chandler, Melvin Levern	Maller, Charles Wm. David	Vestal, George Wems
Collins, Otho Hamilton	Matlock, David B.	Wadsworth, Marsden Silas
Cone, Joseph Spencer	Matlock, Allen Reaves	Williams, Manley Delos
Copeland, Hosmer Curtis	Misch, Mayer	Woodman, Charles Davis
Cornell, Herbert Seeley	Otto, Christian	—81.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Hickman, Thomas Jefferson—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Allbright, Louis Hinckley	Nagle, Peter Buck	Stocks, John Gardner—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bachman, Daniel	Kelley, Lyman A.	Scott, Gabriel Marion
Bates, John	Kennedy, Alfred Harrison	Shell, John, Jr.—7.
Collins, Henry		

DIED:

Bettis, Ransome Sutherland	Douglas, Martin Alexander—2.
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SAINT MARK'S LODGE, No. 85.**Fiddletown, Amador County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

George Washington McKee, <i>Master,</i>	Joseph McDonald Dunn, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Hugh Harrison Bell, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Henry Augustus Kuchenthal, <i>Jun. Deacon,</i>
Joseph Gorham Carr, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Hermann Heinrich Tholen, <i>Marshal,</i>
Columbus Allen Purinton, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Jackson LaFayette Williams, <i>{ Stewards,</i>
Sabine Coolidge, <i>Secretary,</i>	John Holland Rice,
William Joseph Mathews, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters :

Charles Lee,
Columbus Allen Purinton,
Andrew Patton Wood,

Jonathan Edmondson,
Daniel Blenois Soliss,
Seth Loveless,

Robert King Cliabourne,
Geo. Washington McKee.

MASTER MASONS :

Cope, Benjamin Martin
Dillon, Reuben Miller
Easton, Thomas William
Evenson, Ole
Goodman, George
Head, James Richard

Horrell, Alex. Buckner
Howard, Francis Augustus
Hunstable, John Augustus
Kohlert, John
Little, Jackson

Miller, LaFayette
Payne, Moses
Pettitt, Job Edward
Tosh, John McCracken
Werntz, Gabriel—33.

RESTORED :

Pettitt, Job Edward—1.

DIED :

Davis, Joseph (E. A.)—1.

SAINT LOUIS LODGE, No. 86.**Saint Louis, Sierra County.**

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Thomas Alonzo McFarland, *Master*,
Alexander Carmichael, *Senior Warden*,
William Alex. Brown, *Junior Warden*,
William Stahl, *Treasurer*,
Benjamin Jacob Sammons, *Secretary*,

Charles Smith, *Senior Deacon*,
Gilbert McDonald, *Junior Deacon*,
John Robert McLeod, *Marshal*,
Philander Cooper Bean, } *Stewards*,
Christian Swartz, }
William Sherman, *Tyler*.

Past Masters :

Joel Eveland,
Alembly Jump,
Benj. Jacob Sammons,

Elias Anderson,
Alexander Carmichael,
John Berman,

Charles Smith,
Thomas Alonzo McFarland.

MASTER MASONS :

Atkinson, William Eldridge
Bauer, Michael
Bennett, John Mulkey
Chittenden, Henry Hatfield
Corbett, William Edward
Cox, George Washington
Davis, Jacob D.
Discombes, Francis
Doud, Washington Cicero
Ermatinger, Caspar
Graves, Sewell Fogg
Gourley, Fitz Allen

Hayes, Thomas
Howe, Alonzo John
Jenkins, John West
Jones, Austin
Kline, Jacob
Lawson, Andrew Gustave
Leavitt, Granville Irving
Lisbon, Joseph Ribero
McCrory, Seneca
McDonald, Thomas
McFarland, John Carr
McNee, Alexander

McNee, John Hunter
Morgan, William Rollin
Norton, Mortimer
Owens, Owen
Pender, William Kattry
Ross, Peter
Small, Jacob
Stover, John Emmet
Taylor, Thomas Hamilton
Thompson, Calvin Mason
Trevail, Thomas
Weir, Hiram George—51.

WITHDRAWN :

Gould, Charles—1.

NAVAL LODGE, No. 87.

Vallejo, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, third Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Isaac Sherman Halsey, <i>Master</i> ,	Nathaniel Gould Hilton, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Christian Theo. B. Hallin, <i>Senior Warden</i> .	George Rounds, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George William Simonton, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Isaac Myers Rutan, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Elkins Abbott, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Wright Skinner, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Asa Cummings Bagley, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Edward William O'Brien, }
Nathaniel Baker Klink, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Henry Dexter, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Abraham Powell,	George Fayette Mallett,	Alex. Hopkins Hichborn,
Isaac Hobbs,	John Mills Browne,	Samuel Greely Hilborn,
Isaac Myers Rutan,	Osgood Hilton,	Charles Daly.
Peter Diggles Grimes,		

MASTER MASONS:

Aden, John Remmers	Gibson, Adolph Benjamin	Munroe, Joseph Wellington
Aden, Melchart Remmers	Goldsworthy, Thomas	Pitchford, John Benjamin
Aden, Remmer J. Remmers	Hall, Henry Knox	Powell, James Henry
Ammerup, Gottlieb Adolph	Harper, John Martin	Richart, George Bowman
Aspenall, William	Haskin, Enoch William	Richardson, H'y Douglass
Barbour, Jas. Hutch'n King	Harrier, Daniel Webster	Ross, David Campbell
Benas, Benjamin	Henderson, Orrington Lunt	Rothenbush, Peter
Bell, George	Hodgkins, Edwin Address	Rutherford, David
Bell, John	Hogan, James Rinds	Savage, Thomas
Blewett, Edward	Holmes, Ensign Kimball	Schild, George Ferdinand
Bond, Jonathan	Jones, William	Shillingsburg, William
Brownlie, James	Jordon, James Howland	Silverman, Caleb Louis
Brownlie, John	King, John Loveall	Snow, Hiram King
Brownlie, Thomas	Kirk, Samuel Barnard	Spotts, James Hanna
Brownlie, William	Kloppenburg, Dan. Wilhelm	Stark, Theodore Chapin
Bruce, Henry	Leach, Frank Aleaman	Sundquest, Ernst William
Carman, Ambrose Sherman	Leber, William Samuel	Thomas, John, Jr.
Chandler, Robert	Little, Samuel	Titcomb, John Locke
Clark, Thomas	Maltby, John Edward	Toothaker, Harvey Buringt'n
Clausen, August Ernst	McCobb, Abiel Henry	Topley, James
Dannenbaum, Solomon	McDaniel, Roland Jackson	Tripp, William Henry
Donnelly, Samuel	McIntosh, David	Voorhees, Albert Parsons
Drake, Frank	McLees, Edmund	Wall, Charles John
En Young, Charles	McPike, Andrew Jackson	Warren, Oscar Fritzland
Farmer, John William	Miller, George Henry	Whitman, Russell
Faust, John	Miller, George Morrison	Williston, John Edward
Ford, Henry Jones	Miller, Peter Brewer	Wilson, George Wilkins
Fowler, Lucius Corodon	Moden, Erick Gabriel	Wright, Martin Jeremiah
Frisbie, Eleazer	Moran, Owen	

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ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Barnes, Douglas Gibson	O'Neil, Henry	Quant, George—4.
Haraszthy, Bela		

RESTORED:

Barbour, James Hutchinson King Munroe, Jos. Wellington Wilson, Albion Paris
—3.

WITHDRAWN:

Sullivan, Dennis James Wilkins, James Malcolm Wilson, Albion Paris—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Carter, James Gray, George Rideout, Albert Thackster
Castle, John Gideon Gunning, Alfred Henry Wilson, Albion Paris
Forester, Edw'd Hackelton Quigley, Benjamin Cook Wright, Samuel J.—9.

DIED:

Woods, George Washington—1.

QUITMAN LODGE, No. 88.

Moore's Flat, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

James Redington, <i>Master</i> ,	Henry Atwater, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,	
Alexander Rauch, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Ole Justin Torson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,	
Wm. Franklin Cummings, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Henry McNulty,	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
George Washington Brown, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Wallace Pryde,	
Samuel Caldwell, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Christian Jensen, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Solomon Lucien Blackwell, James Reid.

MASTER MASONS:

Barturi, Guadalupe Lopez	Hickman, John Claiborne	Skidmore, Rush Dix
Bremond, Camille Gustavus	Hill, Robert	Stokes, David
Burns, Henry	Jepsen, Christian Otto	Stone, John
Crandall, Thaddeus Phelps	Kaulbeck, Henry	Tewes, Henry C.
Dickieson, William Robert	Long, William David	Tilton, Cornelius Arnold
Edwards, George	Martin, John	Vierow, Alfred
Farley, George Sidney	Miller, Charles	Webster, Geo. Washington
Germiquet, Louis Adolphe	Nelson, John	Williams, William Owen
Hellwig, John Henry	Quinn, James	Wherman, John Henry—39.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Quinn, Michael—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Condon, James—1.

ROSE'S BAR LODGE, No. 89.

Smartsville, Yuba County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Joseph A. Flint, <i>Master</i> ,	Peter Fitzpatrick, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Reuben Davis, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	David Brown, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Allen Presley, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Asher Park Brown,
Ray Wilkins Tift, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Odgers,
Charles Clovis Duhain, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Richard Beatty, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Samuel Josiah Smith Rogers, Joseph A. Flint, Mathew Halford Jackson.

MASTER MASONS:

Baldwin, Edw'd Augustus	England, Caston	McAllis, John
Barker, William	Harris, Thomas	McFadden, Thomas Henry
Clarke, Levi Blaisdell	Hatch, Martin Payne	Monk, James
Davey, John	Hogarth, Henry	Pierce, James Pieronnet
Dikeman, Samuel Henry	Hosken, Joseph	Roberts, Mark
Doud, Thomas	Huffman, Henry Jackson	Schroeder, John Frederick
Edwards, John	Kendall, Henry	Washburn, Wm. Dexter—33.

WITHDRAWN:

Banning, John Taylor, James Woodbury Taylor, John Nay—3.

NORTH STAR LODGE, No. 91.**Fort Jones, Siskiyou County.**

Stated Meetings, second Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Henry Jonas Diggles, <i>Master,</i>	James Harvey McCoy, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
John Tyler Moxley, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Charles Alex'r Gray, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
William Denton Shelly, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Charles Frederick Hammond, <i>Marshal,</i>
David Horn, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Absalom Hart, }
Israel Smith Mathews, <i>Secretary,</i>	John August Lincoln, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Isaac Hamilton, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters :

Francis Edward Ensign,	Israel Smith Mathews,	James Harvey McCoy,
Daniel Ream,	Elton Thompson Bailey,	Henry Jonas Diggles.
Alexander Peter McCarton,		

MASTER MASONS:

Bean, Edmund	Fletcher, Charles Henry	Roberts, Isaac
Brown, Erasmus Dowen	Fletcher, James Henry	Root, William Jay
Christie, John	Glendenning, William	Sell, Adam B.
Conner, Jacob	Jewett, Henry Charles	Short, John
Churchwell, Rich'd Bartlett	Kunz, Felix	Slater, Michael
Davidson, Samuel	Lindsay, Richard Scruggs	Ward, Bruce Stanley
Day, Edward Levi	Luttrell, John King	Wilson, Hiram
Fairchild, John Abraham	Owens, Alexander	Young, John Wesley—40.
Faurot, Isaac		

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Carlock, Hamilton Marshall	Henderson, John	Shaw, Luke—4.
Dangle, Joseph		

WITHDRAWN :

Amos, Thomas—1.

ACACIA LODGE, No. 92.

Coloma, El Dorado County.

*Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Commodore Perry Young, <i>Master</i> ,	Francis Nicholls, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Hugh Bell Newell, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Johnston Rob'n Stuckslager, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
William David Othick, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Giosue Bassi, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Adam Lohry, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Henry Lohry, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Price, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Glover, }
Daniel Teuscher, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Albert Wright Cullum,	Andrew Jackson Christie,	Hugh Bell Newell.
Robert Chalmers,		

MASTER MASONS:

Allison, Hiram	Haderle, John	Norris, Joseph Spencer
Anable, James Wesley	Killough, John Wesley	Patterson, William Lytle
Anderhalden, Joseph	Levy, Joseph	Pelton, Stephen
Benjamin, DeWitt Clinton	Mahler, Henry	Ramsey, George W.
Brock, James Joseph	Markham, Charles Edward	Sheilds, Michael
Dryer, John L.	Merrill, Charles Edward	Teuscher, John Harvey—33.
Evans, Edward Harlan		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Rasmussen, Andrew John—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bell, Robert Poteet, Thomas Job—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Ferguson, James—1.

DIED:

Breeze, Thomas William—1.

ST. HELENA LODGE, No. 93.

St. Helena, Napa County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Dimsdill Burr Carver, <i>Master</i> ,	John Charles Howard, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Thomas Simmons, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Cornelius Etting Davis, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Wirt Bradbury, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	—— ———, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Franklin Cliff, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Greer, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Hall Allison, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Eli McBride York, }
Charles Andrew Gardner, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	James McGee, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Edward Lewis Levéy,	Dimsdill Burr Carver,	William Thomas Simmons,
John Hall Allison,	Chas. Francis Al's Nichell,	John Sebastian Fruits.

MASTER MASONS:

Baldrige, William	Johnston, Henry Burr	Rampendahl, Otto
Blaner, Charles	Jordan, Daniel Milan	Ruker, Conrad
Brown, Gabriel Franklin	Lane, Robert Forester	Safford, Thomas Jefferson
Burnett, Peter	Lazarus, Leopold	Sanderson, David
Clark, Samuel Gilman	McGeorge, Nath'l Thomas	Straus, Julius Eugene
Dewar, John Robert	Mecklenberg, Joseph	Strode, Samuel Evans
Dinning, William	Musgrove, Stewart Haril	Tucker, Bird
Eubank, Richard Garnett	Newkirk, Isaac James	Ware, Edward Goodline
Forister, John	Olsen, August	Weinberger, John Christian
Friedburg, Abraham	Peel, William	Wright, James Madison
Galewsky, David	Rampendahl, August Chas.	Young, Bird Sidney—48.
Hoover, John		

RESTORED:

Levéy, Edward Lewis

Mecklenberg, Joseph—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Anguin, James Alfred

Hagen, Henry

Wright, James California

Anguin, William

Hoover, Abram

Wright, James Ripley—7.

Drysdale, Jas. Summerfield

HENRY CLAY LODGE, No. 95.

Sutter Creek, Amador County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Morris Brinn, *Master*,Thomas Fleming, *Senior Deacon*,John Lithgow, *Senior Warden*,Nickolas Millosovich, *Junior Deacon*,John Elisha Russell, *Junior Warden*,Thomas Dunlap, *Marshal*,Vincent Lutnesky, *Treasurer*,

George Allen,

David Anderson Patterson, *Secretary*,Isaac Newton Templeton, } *Stewards*,John Jelmini, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Alvinza Hayward,

Henry Peck,

Jesse Blackburn Maxey.

Thomas Dunlap,

Morris Brinn,

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, John Quincy

Fagan, Peter

Mullen, Patrick

Bastion, James

Fleming, Joseph

Parkes, Norman Bruce

Brown, William Henry

Harville, George

Peterson, Charles Henry

Burke, Thomas Jefferson

Johnini, Jacob

Phipps, John Anthony

Campbell, John Mis

Kelly, John Barnes

Post, John McDougal

Cook, Philormon

Lewis, Lemuel Thomas

Poundstone, Laurence Ryder

Culbert, Thomas Lilly

Macy, Albert Francis

Pratt, James Sturgis

Dawe, Ambrose John

Maestretto, Angelo

Styles, George Washington

Davison, William Francis

Marr, Doff Neely

Vance, Richard

Davies, David Thomas

Marr, Kinzey Falkner

Weil, Aaron

Deacon, Hiram

Moore, Stephen

Weston, Henry—47.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Jacinta, Avelas Joseph—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Bunt, John—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Burleson, Charles Drake

Ellis, Volney Eaton

King, George W.—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Joy, Alexander Cartwright

Manon, Samuel Sanford—2.

DIED:

Barron, Thomas Allen

Tucker, William Henry—2.

HOWARD LODGE, No. 96.

Yreka, Siskiyou County.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

James Vance, *Master*,John Morris Walbridge, *Senior Deacon*,Hudson B. Gillis, *Senior Warden*,Benjamin Franklin Smith, *Junior Deacon*,William Castleton Eddy, *Junior Warden*, George Simmons, *Marshal*,William McConnell, *Treasurer*,

Jurgen Osterman,

John William Bird, *Secretary*,Andrew Jackson Fabricius, } *Stewards*,Nicholas Young, (of *St. John's*, No. 37,) *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

David Ream,

John Morris Walbridge,

James Vance,

Franklin Augustus Rogers,

James Dewitt,

Francis Riley.

MASTER MASONS:

Autenreith, Lewis

Johnson, Lawrence H.

Parker, Samuel F.

Brannan, Thomas

Jones, John Johnson

Schnakenburg, Claus

Brown, Mitchell Alex.

Lasource, Edmund

Smith, Charles Dezay

Carrick, Elijah

Lodge, Robert James

Truitt, Henry

Crooks, Andrew Donaldson

Lytle, James Alexander

Turner, William Wallace

Doten, Josiah Wilson

McConaughy, James

Wadsworth, Henry

Eddy, Norton Harvey

McGillivray, Joseph

Walbridge, Henry Wilson

Field, Charles C.

McKay, Alexander

White, James Melville

Fowler, John Kendricks

Mixer, Isaac Doten

White, Samuel

Hirst, Rolandus Porter

Morse, Harry Asa

Whittier, John Franklin—46.

Jackson, Andrew

Nichols, Henry

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Jones, Alfred McLellan

Walters, Jacob—2.

RESTORED:

McGillivray, Joseph—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Haserick, Anton Stewart, Granville Quincy—2.

JEFFERSON LODGE, No. 97.

La Porte, Plumas County.

*Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Benjamin Wilcox Barnes, <i>Master</i> ,	Maxwell Gaddis Hill, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Alexander McIntosh, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Nathaniel B. Mullen, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Hutchinson Robertson, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	John Milton Mussey, <i>Marshal</i> ,
James Monroe Pike, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Preston Lloyd, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Dixon Brabban, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Owen H. Evans, }
John Hiram Thomas, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Maxwell Gaddis Hill,	Benjamin Wilcox Barnes,	John Milton Mussey.
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MASTER MASONS:

Clough, Greenleaf Greeley	Early, William Theodore	Lundquist, Errick
Crew, Alexander Hill	Eberle, Francis Xavier	Perrier, Desire
Derosiers, Henry	Evans, John Newton	Rowland, Richard
Derosiers, Peter	Finnemore, Thomas Noble	Ruppert, Charles—23.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Mason, Henry—1.

RESTORED:

Finnemore, Thomas Noble Perrier, Desiré—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Borrosseau, Narcissa	Kleckner, Amandes	Shaw, Charles Henry—4.
Kleckner, Abraham		

HORNITOS LODGE, No. 98.

Hornitos, Mariposa County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

William Adams, <i>Master</i> ,	William Smith Thomas, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Wark, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Patrick Washington, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Benjamin Floyd, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	George Edward Webber, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Charles Merck, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Andrew Olcese, }
Samuel Walker Carr, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Wilkin Hunter, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Jean Martin, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Samuel Walker Carr,	Alfred Winslow Clough,	William Adams.
Alexander McElroy,	David Stewart Kirkpatrick,	

MASTER MASONS:

Bailey, Nathaniel Ashe	Gourher, George Gilette	Palmer, Edgar Thomas
Buhlmann, John Gottlieb	Grade, William Adolphe	Pool, David Michell
Cavagnaro, Carlo	Lepetich, George	Spagnoli, Joseph
Clarke, John Francis	Morrison, McHenry	Williams, Henry—28.
Clindinnin, And. Wellington	Newman, Maurice Henry	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Breskessvill, Edgar—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Reib, George—1.

LA GRANGE LODGE, No. 99.

Merced, Merced County.

*Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Hiram Newton Rucker, <i>Master,</i>	Silas Wright Geis, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
John Levinsky, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Thomas Nelson Burton, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Peter Robert Murray, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Charles Henry Marks, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Morris Goldman, <i>Treasurer,</i>	William Winn, }
Salomon Silver, <i>Secretary,</i>	John Allen Bonny, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Frederick Lebright,	Samuel Claghorn Bates,	Carter Landram.
Frederick Becker,	Silas Wright Geis,	

MASTER MASONS:

Appling, John H	army	Hardwick, Wm.	Jefferson	Rochelle, Wm.	Lawrence
Badt, Aaron		Howith, Nelson		Rose, Henry	Christian
Barber, Matthew	Orrin	Hughes, William		Simons, John	
Barker, John	Allen	Hurford, John	Samuel	Stevens, Abram	Robinson
Barnard, John	Kirk	Johnson, Samuel		Stoddard, Eben'r	Maxwell
Blumenthal, Bernhard		Laird, Eleazer	Ginnes	Stoneroad, Geo.	Washington
Chapman, Emery	Wash'ton	Lang, Edward		Stripling, Elijah	
Cunningham, James		Levingston, Chas.	Chancellor	Thompson, John	William
Davis, Reuben	Turtelotte	Morton, James		Utter, Eliakim	Stannard
Douglass, William	Frazer	Oppenheim, Benjamin		Welch, Lucilius	Arthur
Fleming, Charles	Edwin	Reed, John	Truman	Welch, Payton	Young—48.
Garibaldi, Giacomo					

FELLOW CRAFT:

Yelland, Walter—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Isaacs, George Edwin—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Salter, Norman	Franklin	Schoenfeld, Ernst	Schoenfeld, Solomon—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Dickinson, James	Johnson	Smyth, Matthias—2.
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CAMPO SECO LODGE, No. 100.

Campo Seco, Calaveras County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Hiram Ashley Messenger, <i>Master,</i>	Joseph Johnson Hinckley, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Anthony Anderson, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Jacob Frederick Meyer, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Daniel Mehrrens, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Tracy Stroud, } <i>Stewards,</i>
William Woolley, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Thomas Wells, }
James Creighton, <i>Secretary,</i>	Ira Newfield Holman, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Hiram Ashley Messenger,

James Creighton.

MASTER MASONS:

Conrad, George Allen

O'Hare, Thomas

Syme, Elias Redmond

Cowdry, Isaac Brown

Orengo, Benjamin

Ugo, Celestine

Cavagnaro, John

Palmer, John Wm. Denel

Weithoff, William

Hunt, Daniel

Redmond, Robert Mitchell

Wilkins, John—23.

Jenkins, Robert Reed

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Bacigualpper, John Augustine

Mead, Nathan Benjamin—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Freeman, Charles Amos

Serry, William Ransalear—2.

RESTORED:

Lane, Daniel S.

Wiley, John W.—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Lane, Daniel S.

Wiley, John W.—2.

CLAY LODGE, No. 101.**Dutch Fla., Placer County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**Ephraim Marriner Thomas, *Master*,Samuel Edward Swensson, *Sen. Deacon*,George Henry Davidson, *Senior Warden*,John Henry Lakamp, *Junior Deacon*,John Bell Rathburn, *Junior Warden*,William Frederick Michell, *Marshal*,Melvin Syms Gardiner, *Treasurer*,

William Wallace Mitchell,

Isaac Tibbetts Coffin, *Secretary*,William Girard Whistler, } *Stewards*,Benjamin Floyd, *Tyler*.**Past Masters:**

Benjamin Franklin Moore,

Isaac Tibbetts Coffin,

Melvin Syms Gardiner,

Samuel Baker Harriman,

William Henry Kruger,

Ephraim Marriner Thomas.

Thomas Pattinson,

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, Thomas

Endean, William

Kopp, Charles Mann

Ball, William Charles

Fiddler, William Kindry

Maker, George S.

Bennett, Christopher

Gifford, Robert

Maguire, Francis Turner

Bradley, Elisha Lafayette

Griffin, Oliver

Martin, Noble

Cabot, George Colburn

Griffiths, Benjamin James

McClure, Elias Lowe

Cecil, John M.

Grohs, Frederick Peter

Nichols, Thomas Jefferson

Cloudman, Octavius King

Huse, John James

Northrup, Joseph

Comstock, Charles Carlos

Hudepohl, Herm. Rudolph

Rose, David

Curren, Valentine

Huysink, Bernard Henry

Simons, Henry

Diner, Henry

Josink, Bernard Henry

Snell, Frederick

Disque, Henry

Keeler, William Henry

Vincent, Nicholas

Ells, Henry

Kelsey, Henry Clay

Whitton, Morral—51.

DIED:

Smith, Robert—1.

MANZANITA LODGE, No. 102.

North San Juan, Nevada County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

George Cummings Spooner, <i>Master</i> ,	Chas. Edward Lancaster, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Frank Napoleon Morris, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Jas. Lamberton McIntire, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Moore Dickson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Storer McBride, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Ambrose Seely, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Frederick Cook, }
Elon White, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John German, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Dunning, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

John Benedick Hunter,	John Ambrose Seely,	Elon White.
John Storer McBride,	George Cummings Spooner,	

MASTER MASONS:

Abrahams, Lewis	Furth, Simon	Ovitt, Alonzo Willis
Bank, Frederick William	Gilbert, Josiah Stephens	Pascoe, Erasmus
Barger, William Franklin	Harris, Aron	Phillips, Reubin
Bell, Vincent George	Harris, Thomas	Powers, Amos Matthew
Bickford, Leon'd Hathaway	Holden, John George	Rich, Henry Hudson
Billing, John	Huff, William	Rosendale, Otto Emanuel
Bristow, William	Inder, Job Staples	Scheurman, Charles
Buhring, Louis	Jepsen, Jacob	Sharp, James Cohn
Butler, Patrick Henry	Jones, William Arthur	Stott, James
Cadwallader, Niram	Lane, John	Swan, Anson Burlingame
Callaghan, Samuel	Macklin, Henry	Thomas, Richard
Chisholm, James	McCoy, John	Thomas, William Davis
Cull, Henry	McCullough, James	Treanor, James McWade
Cunard, James Henry	Morgan, John Thomas	Trood, John
Davis, William Morgan	Morris, James Dougherty	Trood, William
Dickson, Joseph Gordon	Nankervis, John	Tucker, Joseph Bernard
Fitter, John	Netter, Nathan	Williams, Wm. William
Freeman, Thomas	Noblet, William Berry	Woodruff, Aphek Lorenzo

—66.

WITHDRAWN:

Beck, Aaron—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Hadley, John	Wager, William Dodge	Westerfield, Wm. Jackson
McBrown, John		

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DIED:

Hoffman, Adam Joseph—1.

OROVILLE LODGE, No. 103.

Oroville, Butte County.

Stated Meetings, last Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS :

David King Perkins, <i>Master</i> ,	William Lizars Armstrong, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Ralzemond Parker, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Edward Oregon Rollins, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Houston Helms, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Washington Ross, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
David Bright Hays, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Richard Champion Grubbs, }
William Patrick McDermott, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Constantine Mitchell, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

George Clement Perkins,	Elijah Star Ruggles,	Charles Hart Wilcox,
Isaac Upham,	Charles Burroughs,	John Carleton Gray.
Thomas Jarrett Jenkins,		

MASTER MASONS :

Becker, Frederick John	Fryer, Derrick F.	Nelson, Alfred David
Bett, John	Halstead, Ethan Allen	Nelson, John
Bliss, William Young	Harris, Jacob	Ostroski, Samuel
Bowden, James Frederick	Hendricks, Thos. Pollock	Pearson, Thomas Coak
Boynton, Seth Sprague	Hewitt, John Broughton	Portman, Joseph
Braselton, Augustus Cicero	Higgins, William Sumner	Reynolds, Horace
Bridgeman, Eugene Edwin	Hundley, Patrick Ogilby	Rumley, Hewston David
Brooks, Frank	Hutchins, Thomas Boyd	Rutherford, James
Brooks, Max	Hutton, William Denton	Scharlin, John Aaron
Clark, Albert	Jackson, St. John	Shear, George
Crum, John Harvey	Johnson, Reuben C. arke	Simon, Lewis Aaron
Curnow, William Wells	Johnson, Thomas	Snow, Lucius Augustus
Day, Elias Warner	Kinney, John Leander	Stearns, Amos Keis
DeLancie, Richard	Krengle, Joseph	Wagner, Frank
Durham, George Waddell	Leonard, John Pearce	Whittier, Merrill
Dyer, George Washington	Logan, James Columbus	Welsh, Thomas
Edmunds, William	McDermott, Arthur	Wheeler, James
Faulkner, Thomas	Morgan, Watkin	Young, Samuel D.—73.
Featherstone, William	Morrill, John Calvin.	

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Putnam, William Monroe	Worth, George—2.
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RESTORED:

Hutton, William Denton	McDermott, William Patrick—2.
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WITHDRAWN:

Friesleben, Daniel Nathan—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

McWhinney, Isaac Newton Mullen, Samuel—2.

DIED

Groomes, William—1.

LEXINGTON LODGE, No. 104.

Lexington, Los Angeles County.

*Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

George Alonzo Wilson, <i>Master</i> ,	Dayton Alonzo Reed, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Peter Penfold, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Jesse Bransford Gunnels, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
James Lewis Davis, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Robert Jackson Floyd, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Wesley Broaded, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Ruel Goodwin, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Josiah Holcomb Gray, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Stephen Penfold, }
Abner Bowen McDaniel, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Richard Chamberlain Fryer,	Stephen Barnett Blakeslee,	George Clinton Gibbs,
Francis Pliny Fisk Temple,	Peter Penfold,	William Henry Hill.
Asa Ellis,		

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, Samuel McKee	Gilmer, Major Anthony	Parrish, Elkanah C.
Avis, Jesse	Greening, Earl Godwin	Peck, George Huntington
Barns, James Coleman	Guess, John	Quinn, Richard
Beardslee, Nehemiah	Hammer, Samuel Crawford	Rubottom, William Wiley
Bowden, William	Harman, William Cronise	Shrode, David Shaw
Bowers, Wesley Clay	Hays, John	Smoot, Humphrey
Boyd, John Houston	Hayes, Russell Thayer	Snyder, Douglass
Bunyard, James	Hicks, Leroy Jefferson	Swigart, Thomas Cooper
Cabanas, Lewis George	Huie, James Madison	Thronson, Christian
Caldwell, Andrew Becton	Lambourn, Frederick	Tyler, Edmon Brown
Downs, Francis Edward	Lowry, Hiram Nelson	Tyler, Montgomery Fugerson
Fryer, John William	Mayes, Robert Henry	Winston, William Henry
Gibbs, Albert		—54.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Bealle, Malcolm Dent—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Bradley, George Y.	Wright, John Clark	Wright, Josiah—4.
Hollady, Thomas Draper		

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT:

McLain, Thomas—1.

DIED:

Moody, William Horris—1.

ARCATA LODGE, No. 106.

Arcata, Humboldt County.

*Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Byron Deming, <i>Master</i> ,	George Zehendner, <i>Senibr Deacon</i> ,
John Smith Thomson, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Hibberd Seth Daniels, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Kemp, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Noah H. Falk, <i>Marshal</i> ,
George Harpst, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Gardner Case Bowen, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles Smith, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Richard Brent Cave, }
William Nixon, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Byron Deming,

John W. Hinton,

John Smith Thomson.

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, Maxwell Barry

Engel, Peter

Murphy, William Hill

Brown, Edgar

Force, Levi

Newman, William

Brown, Thomas McGinnis

Greenwald, Julius

Ousley, Geo. Washington

Bull, John Clark, Jr.

Hale, Edward

Spring, Obadiah Hill

Carey, John Test

Heckman, Henry Harrison

Thomson, George

Cullberg, Isaac

Jacoby, Augustus

Whitten, Frank George

Dorherty, Patrick

McKenna, William John

Woodward, Chesley—33.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Harpst, John—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Brizard, Alexander—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Grant, John Thomas

Tripler, Charles Stuart—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Schindler, William Fern'o Robert—1.

OWEN LODGE, No. 108.**Scott's Bar, Siskiyou County.***Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**Warren Guilford Holmes, *Master*,William Thomas Bucher, *Senior Deacon*,Elisha Jacobs, *Senior Warden*,Hamlet Green, *Junior Deacon*,John Marfield, *Junior Warden*,Peter Payson Peterson, *Marshal*,Greenbury Anderson Hicks, *Treasurer*,Joseph Barnaby Leduc, } *Stewards*,
Merrill Augustus Roper, }Sigmund Simon, *Secretary*,James Harrison Lindsey, *Tyler*.**Past Masters:**

Benjamin Jacobs,

Sigmund Simon,

Warren Guilford Holmes.

John Marfield,

MASTER MASONS:

Austin, Timothy Dearborn

Goodale, Oliver Warren

Meamber, Augustus

Coldwell, Dan

Isaacs, John

Rogers, William Marion

Garretson, Job

Lannes, Antoine Prosper

Tickner, Henry Chartel—23.

Gibson, William

McKinney, Henry Spear

SUSPENDED FOR NON PAYMENT OF DUES:

Reinwald, William—1.

DIBBLE LODGE, No. 109.

Omega, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Sanford Orrin Pease, <i>Master</i> ,	Sylvester Cummings Chase, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Elisha Hampton, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Elbridge Thaxter Worthly, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
Wilson Foster, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Henry Sanders, <i>Marshal</i> ,
George Crawford Shaw, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Henderson Flanery, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Josiah Sanders, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Frederick Freeman, }
John McBean, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

William Henry Sanders,	Sanford Orrin Pease,	Francis Marion Hathaway.
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MASTER MASONS:

Bronges, Henry	Eshbach, David	Pasco, Benjamin Franklin
Cobb, Dudley	Fletcher, Wm. B. Christy	Rose, James
Doose, Frederick	Legg, Thomas	Tompkins, Elijah Obadiah
Eagye, Elzever	Muncy, John	Wilkison, Henry Franklin
—24.		

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Lang, John—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Marshall, William Allen—1.

PAJARO LODGE, No. 110.

Watsonville, Santa Cruz County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Charles Lewis Thomas, <i>Master</i> ,	James LaFayette Halstead, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Martin Rodgers, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Robert Thomas Galliger, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Michael Gagnon, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Alexander Chalmers, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Nelson Besse, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Abraham Chace Woods, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Jerome Porter, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Lewis Allen See, }
Galen Austin Pierce, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	John Allen Howard, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Dorastus Johnson,	Thomas Beck,	William Wallace Ross,
John Burton Tyus,	Charles Lewis Thomas,	William George Hudson.
James Waters,		

MASTER MASONS:

Alexander, Abraham	Bowman, George Melville	Brown, John Bernard
Alexander, Andrew	Bergsten, Frans Wilhelm	Brownstone, David
Aldrich, David Metcalf	Blankenship, James Allan	Burland, Robert
Aldridge, Franklin	Brassel, Hans Peter	Burson, David Henry
Andrews, Bela Sargent	Brewington, Geo. Hamilton	Bush, Phillip
Barham, John All	Brown, James Henry	Chapman, Jere'n Sheldon

Clough, David Morrill	Hudson, Mark Antony	Rodgers, Abram Wiley
Condit, Amos Wallace	Hussey, Eldridge Mills	Rodgers, George Donald
Cornell, Hiram Davis	Ingham, James	Rodgers, William Donaldson
Cox, John Francis	Ketchum, Morgan Lewis	Sanborn, John Leavitt
Courtwright, William Henry	Landrum, Wm. Merrimon	Sanborn, Lucius
Craig, Andrew	Legassic, John	Smith, Charles Frederick
Crowner, Ezra Alfred	Leland, Thomas	Smith, Samuel Cecil
Cummings, Chas. Osgood	Lewis, Alexander	St. Clair, Prewitt
Davis, Thomas Miller	Libbey, James Lewis	St. Paul, Gaston de
Dean, Porcius Festus	Lund, Hans Jangenson	Stowe, John Johnson
Dean, Thomas R.	Mageti, Celestine	Thompson, John
Dorn, Nicode's And'w Jack'n	Marcus, Samuel Bill	Thompson, John Henry
Duro, James Burton	Martin, Enos James	Tonzi, Dominic
Duttherow, David Roan	Moffat, Thomas	Trafton, George Arthur
Eastman, Francis Augustus	Morris, Moses	Trafton, John Edmund
English, Felix Grundy	Mynott, Elvin Farner	Van Dorn, William
Ford, Charles	O'Neal, Charles	Walsworth, Wesley
Fowler, Charles	Orton, Robert	Weeks, James Edmund
Goldwater, Julius Abram	Parker, Thomas Coke	Westerfield, James Costar
Greenbaum, William	Payne, John Sydney	West, Danforth
Griswold, Norman Richard	Pierce, Fred. Addison	White, George Horton
Hamner, Samuel Jordan	Porter, Danforth	White, James
Harris, Anson	Porter, John Thomas	Williams, Felix
Hill, Daniel	Purcell, George Manzey	Willover, Mark
Holst, Gerhard Tonsberg	Robinson, John Logan	Wilson, William—112.
Hopkins, Edw'd Townsend		

WITHDRAWN :

Porter, Thomas—1.

CHICO LODGE, No. 111.

Chico, Butte County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Carnot Courtland Mason, <i>Master,</i>	Rochester York Rundel, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Edward Cuyler Nichols, <i>Senior Warden;</i>	Lauritz Hansen, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Garrett Wells Walraven, <i>Jun. Warden,</i>	William Tomes Turner, <i>Marshal,</i>
Charles Faulkner, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Frank Armand Fillot, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Oliver Hazzard Perry Tanquary, <i>Secretary,</i>	Henry Preston Holmes, }
Jesse Wood, <i>Chaplain,</i>	George Miller, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

John Bidwell,	Garrett Wells Walraven,	Albert Judson Gifford,
William Henry Duren,	Augustus Harley Chapman,	John Rose Robinson,
Charles Louis Stilson,	William Michael Thorpe,	Robert Emmet Warren.
Charles Lewis Pond,	Edward Hoole,	

MASTER MASONS :

Baker, Bob Bill	Batchelder, Hiram Treat	Bidwell, Abram B.
Baker, John H. Clements	Beecroft, John Thomas	Boucher, Josiah
Barnes, Michael	Bell, Hugh Thomas	Bowers, John William
Barton, Francis Augustus	Bennett, Isaac Rugg	Bradley, William Leroy

Carlisle, James Cates	Hosse, Calvin	Papst, Charles James
Cheaney, William Fitch	Hoyle, James Marion	Pulliam, William Mitchell
Colby, Gilbert Winslow	Hubbs, Benjamin Albert	Reavis, David Morton
Cole, James Hall	Hutchins, Josiah William	Sawyer, Alexander
Conger, Williston Kingsb'y	Johnson, Charles	Shilling, John Stephen
Daniels, Samuel L.	Jones, Benjamin Franklin	Smith, Levi
Decker, James Madison	Jones, Richard Dean	Smizer, Henry Thos. Allen
Dicus, Samuel Calvin	Ketchum, John Addison	Spencer, Bradley
Dodson, Thomas Hulen	King, William Duncan	Springer, Watson King
Durham, Wm. Wellington	Lee, Wesley	Stevens, Warren Charles
Eaton, George Washington	Leininger, Obadiah	Steward, Joseph Ireland
Elliot, John Patrick	Maltby, Christ'r Columbus	Turner, John Alphonso
Garner, John Mortimer	McGarry, James William	Van Woert, William
Goodrich, Wm. Parmeley	McIntosh, Louis Harrison	Warren, Cyrus Greenleaf
Guynn, Andrew Bayley	McIntosh, James Newton	Warren, Edward Archer
Guynn, Pleasant Medrien	Mitchell, James Ewing	Weston, Jubal
Hallet, Henry	Montgomery, J.W. Bradford	Wetherbee, Ira Alston
Hanscomb, Hy. Douglass	Nelson, Charles Andrew	Worley, Silas Jefferson
Haughton, Jos. Richardson	Nicholl, John	Young, Alexander
Heath, William Daniel	Noonan, Jerry Childs	Young, James—96.
Hibbard, Albert A.	Papst, Albert	

FELLOW CRAFT :

Burdick, James Cyrenas—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Anderson, Edwin Thomas—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Hamlin, George Lawrence Miller, Charles Alton Wayland, Joseph Franklin—4.
 Hoag, George Winfield

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Boydston, Robert Wash'ton	Farnsworth, Norton	Morse, Orson Dayton
Butler, Nelson	Garnier, Thomas Ralph	Rowe, Calvin Stewart
Cochran, Rufus Micagah	McCormick, James Newton	Shaw, Samuel Benjamin
Davison, James	Morley, Israel Dodge	Taylor, George Madison—12.

SUMMIT LODGE, No. 112.

Knight's Ferry, Stanislaus County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

John Warner, <i>Master</i> ,	Andrew Jackson Means, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Lawrence Phelps, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Francis Bach, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Godfrey Booth, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Jacob Haslacher, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Abraham Martin Valpey, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Stinson,
William Edward Steuart, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Lewis Gooch, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Stephen Bishop, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Merrill Britt,	James Stinson,	John Warner.
William Edward Steuart,	Jeseph Warner,	

MASTER MASONS :

Algeo, William Reynolds
 Bartlett, Allen Tabor
 Bentley, Jefferson Daniel
 Bishop, Silas
 Carey, Talcott Patching
 Clarke, Robert Carrick
 Crabtree, Eben Foster
 Crabtree, Mark Trafton
 Dorsey, Caleb
 Enslen, William
 Gardner, George

Hamilton, Andrew
 Hocker, Joseph Lee
 Johnson, Thomas
 Lane, Andrew Jackson
 Lane, Charles David
 Lawrence, George
 Lowe, James Humble
 Lodtman, Ernest
 Mathews, James
 Palmer, Henry

Pentland, Henry Brunton
 Randall, Benjamin
 Richardson, Thomas
 Scrivner, John James
 Swift, Andrew Jackson
 Tulloch, David Whitelaw
 Turner, Henry Fletcher
 Warner, James
 Watson, John Alexander
 Williams, James—44.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Carmichael, David Whitfield—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Dowda, George Washington—1.

DIED :

Krause, George Henry—1.

EDEN LODGE, No. 113.

San Leandro, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

William Wighton Reid, *Master*,
 George Henry Payne, *Senior Warden*,
 Luis Castro, *Junior Warden*,
 Joseph Demont, *Treasurer*,
 Stephen Kerr Fleming, *Secretary*,

Charles Albert Wright, *Senior Deacon*,
 John Fred'k Ernest Hopper, *Jun. Deacon*,
 Charles Henry Haile, *Marshal*,
 Jacob Henry Shirley, } *Stewards*,
 Francisco Pimentel, }

Jabez Lindsley Kirkman, *Tyler*.

Past Masters :

William Wighton Reid,

Charles Henry Haile,

Frank Howard Brooks.

MASTER MASONS :

Anway, Loren Bugby
 Armstrong, Thomas Chas.
 Babcock, Francis
 Boyce, Samuel Edward
 Bronson, James Cathcart
 Cardoza, Manuel Jose
 Christie, Oliver Henry
 Coleman, Chas. Spofford
 Cook, Theodore Webster
 Cooley, Bernard Ralph
 Deives, Joseph Peter
 DuBois, Amos Sumner

Fereira, Lonzo Antonio
 Green, Morris
 Haselhurst, William
 Hill, Otis
 Hollis, James Lyman
 Jamison, John William
 Lienhoop, Frederick
 Lemon, William Thompson
 Marlin John
 Marlin, Joseph Brady
 Martin Joseph
 Moore, Albert Alfonso

Mullen, Michael Francis
 Palmer, Charles Edgar
 Price, Jacob
 Putnam, John Henry
 Saul, Samuel Stephen
 Shiman, John Lewis
 Smith, James Dale
 Smyth, Henry
 Teubert, Louis
 Yates, William Andrew
 Yule, John—47.

RESTORED :

Staniford, George Breck—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Collins, Albert William Neilsen, Hans Staniford, George Breck—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Carrell, Spencer Hamilton, Jas. Lazarus Noble Marston, Benjamin Sewell—3.

DIED:

Amerman, Isaac Augustus Lucio, Joseph Nabb, Richard Charles—4.
Chisholm, John

MOUNT ZION LODGE, No. 114.

Grizzly Flat, El Dorado County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Davis Hanna, <i>Master,</i>	William Knox, <i>Secretary,</i>
Jacob Bolton Fisher, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	John Marion McClean, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
William Cole, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Ozro Dunham Pray, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Amon Melton, <i>Treasurer,</i>	James Fraser Casey, }
Thomas Teesdale, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Master:

Davis Hanna.

MASTER MASONS:

Bemis, Eugene Crooks, David Hedge, Patrick—12.

WITHDRAWN:

Meikle, James—1.

CONCORD LODGE, No. 117.

Sacramento, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, first Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Samuel Howard Gerrish, <i>Master,</i>	Alexander Miller Smith, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Henry Longton, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	John Gruhler, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
William Roland Jones, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	John Talbot, <i>Marshal,</i>
Eugene Giraud, <i>Treasurer,</i>	John Fritsch, }
William Henry Hevener, <i>Secretary,</i>	Henry Ashbell Burnett, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Nathaniel Atherton Kidder, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters:

Samuel Drown Smith,	Jacob Hoehn,	Samuel McDonald,
John Hill McKune,	John Whitelaw,	William McLaughlin.
William Henry Hevener,		

MASTER MASONS:

Alexander, Benj. Franklin	Keymer, James	Shannon, William Burton
Anderson, Jerome Johnson	Lang, Joseph	Smith, Eli M.
De Valin, William Henry	La Shell, Alfred Franklin	Sullivan, William George
Dolan, Patrick Francis	Leeman, Gaspar	Sweetland, Benj. Richard
Elliott, Archibald Sharp	LeLoy, Louis	Thain, Hamilton Wells
Foss, Calvin Ichabod	Lichthardt, Geo. Hy. Wm.	Thayer, Nehemiah Denton
Gonnet, Adrien	Menke, Anton	Tomasette, Giovanni Battista
Hasselgren, William Henry	Meyer, Paul	Trope, Peter
Hayton, George Moses	Oschwald, John	Troia, Salvatore
Herzog, Philip	Oughton, William Edward	Vicary, George Salser
Holzinger, George	Peters, Robert James	Vincent, Frank Orsen
Irvine, William John	Robbins, Joseph Martin	Winn, James Henry
Jacobs, Enoch	Sanderlin, Frederick	Young, William—53.
Jones, William	Schaeffer, Peter	

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Deuseau, John—1.

RESTORED :

Fowler, Dutton—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Duprey, George

Fowler, Dutton—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Barstow, John La Fayette—1.*

EXPELLED :

Parnell, John Henry—1.

DIED:

Josephs, Michael—1.

CLINTON LODGE, No. 119.

Piety Hill, Shasta County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Charles Nelson Kingsbury, <i>Master</i> ,	Elijah Mason Dixon, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thaddeus Alonzo Jones, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Goodall, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Boyd, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Rasmus Manford Cunningham, <i>Marshal</i> ,
George Kittridge Willard, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Olonzo Engle,
Henry Kothwell, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Alonzo Hawley Rector, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	William Forschler, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Joseph Weil,	Henry Christian Jacobson,	Thomas Burton Smith.
Elijah Mason Dixon,	Charles Nelson Kingsbury,	

MASTER MASONS:

Alexander, Samuel Pannill	Leiter, Alexander	Voss, Carl George
Berg, Robert	Raymond, George Willis	Weil, David—2?.
Dammon, Stephen Davis	Sleeper, Geo. Washington	

WITHDRAWN :

Goodman, Henry Emanuel

Shepard, Benjamin Allen—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Hiller, Michael—1.

FIDELITY LODGE, No. 120.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS:

George Barstow, <i>Master</i> ,	Emile David Neustadt, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Isaac Strassburger, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	David Eisner, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Jacob Luchsinger, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Samuel Hyman Cohen, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Lewis Emanuel, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Christian Nielsen,
Moses Heller, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Theophilus Vivian Walter,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
Mitchell Joseph Myers, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Louis Cohn,	Julius Platcheck,	Emanuel Emanuel,
Henry Falkenstein,	Moses Heller,	Henry Williams.
Mendel Esberg,	William Henry Culver,	

MASTER MASONS:

Ackerman, Sam'l Seligman	Frank, Asher	Lees, Isijah Wrigley
Agard, George Edward	Frankenberg, Joseph	Levy, Bernhard Louis
Alenberg, Charles	Friedlander, Morris	Levy, Edward Julius
Altmayer, Aaron	Getz, Bernhard	Levy, Julius
Antisell, Wm. Christopher	Getz, Joseph	Levy, Louis Abraham
Banner, Pincus	Getz, Louis	Levy, Max
Baum, Simon	Godchaux, Joseph	Levy, Morris Bernhard
Bear, Solomon	Goldman, Isaac Wolf	Levy, Nahdon
Becker, Michael Rud. E.	Goldstone, Charles	Lewis, William
Block, Abraham	Goodkind, Henry	Lewy, Julius
Blum, Isidore	Goodwin, Jas. Porter, Jr.	Lindner, Mark
Blum, Jacques	Green, Harris	Lissack, Adolph Henry, Jr.
Blum, Moses, Jr.	Greenberg, Henry	Livingston, Mark
Brandenstein, Mayer	Greenberg, Samuel Henry	Louis, Adolph
Brown, Morris	Gruenberg, Max	Mandelbaum, Francis
Brown, Nathan	Gutte, Isidor	Marks, Henry
Bryan, William	Hagan, Benjamin	Marks, Saul
Bulmore, Robert Richard	Hagen, Henry Edward von	Mayer, Nathan
Cahn, Leopold	Hamilton, James Monroe	Mayer, Salomon Julius
Caro, Samuel	Hamilton, Robert	McIsaacs, Donald Cushing
Caro, Wolf	Hardie, Diedrich	Mendelson, Solomon
Cecil, John	Harris, Adolph	Michals, Aaron William
Clayburg, Moses	Harris, George Joseph	Miller, Edward Laurence
Colman, Morris	Henry, Abraham Henry	Naphtaly, Joseph
Cook, Isaac	Hermida, Augustus	Newburger, Gustave
Cope, James Henry	Hildebrandt, William Chas.	Newman, Henry
Einstein, Jacob	Hufschmidt, Louis	Newman, Isaac
Elfelt, Joseph	Iglauer, Joe	Newman, Joseph
Englander, Max	Isaacs, Morris Judah	Newman, Simon
Eppinger, Jacob	Jacobs, Abraham	Pestner, Ernst
Falk, Solomon	Jacobsen, Jacob Erich	Peyser, Simon Abraham
Felvey, Lawrence	Joseph, Michel James	Platcheck, Samuel
Finnegass, Henry	Kaufman, Charles	Pierce, George Lincoln
Fisher, Henry	Kohn, Charles	Poly, Louis
Forsberg, Frederick	Latz, Benjamin	Prichard, James Augustus

Raas, Emanuel	Schmidt, Joseph	Sweet, Francis Marion
Raphael, Isidor	Schmitt, Maurice	Thalheimer, Jacob
Reese, Michael	Schoenfield, Jacob	Tommereg, Anders Emil
Reinstein, Simon	Schweitzer, Morris	Trauce, Peter C. Ludwig
Reiss, Bernard	Schweitzer, Samuel	Troppman, John
Robins, George	Sichel, Salomon	Viadero, Damaso
Robinson, Julius	Silverberg, Simon	Walter, Herman Nathan
Robitcheck, Herman	Simon, Henry	Wedel, John Michael
Rose, Henry	Simon, Israel Simon	Wehle, Isaac
Rosenbaum, Joseph	Smiley, Geo. Washington	Wigmore, James
Rosenbaum, Moses	Smith, Benj. Pitt Griffin	Wilzinsky, Marks
Rosenfield, Anthony	Staylaars, Charles Louis	Wormser, Louis
Rosenshine, Leopold	Steller, Pepi	Worthy, James
Rosenshine, Mathias	Steppacher, Maier	Zacharias, Hyman
Roth, Adolph Benjamin	Strauss, Louis	Zimmerman, Henry—170.
Shier, Gabriel	Streeten, James Morgan	

FELLOW CRAFT :

Haas, Lehman—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Son, Albert Anchel Goodman, Isadore—2.

RESTORED :

Frank, Asher

Steller, Pepi

Wilson, William Blaney—3.

WITHDRAWN :

Jonas, Isaac Aaron

Lindgran, Andrea

Newberger, Elias

Klain, Nathan Michael

Mayberg, Morris

Wilson, William Blaney—6.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Malone, Daniel Wolf, David—2.

DIED :

Bruns, Christian—1.

IONIC LODGE, No. 121.**Iowa Hill, Placer County.***Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

John Gould Bisbee, <i>Master</i> ,	William Green Wolfe, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Byron Carder, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Chester Hackett, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Willis Fish Gould, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Edward George Spencer, <i>Marshal</i> ,
James Weeks Chinn, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Garret Booth,
John Butler, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Jasper Rich,
	Augustus Lord Leighton, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

William Clinton Rich,	Darius Ingersoll,	Adams Barrett,
William Whipple Poole,	James Jasper Rich,	John Gould Bisbee.

MASTER MASONS :

Eddings, George Franklin	Mitchell, John Henry	Smith, Jonathan Mitchell
Hammill, Henry	Myrick, John Wesley	Stemple, Henry
Jacobs, James Munroe	Patton, William Henry	Tolman, Rufus Jenkins
Just, John Peter	Petterson, Oliver Howard	Van Divier, John Floyd
Makins, William Swift	Rice, Charles	Vaughn, Daniel Jackson
Mill, William	Ross, James	Werley, François Antoine
Mitchell, Edward	Schmitt, John	Wood, Joseph Lewis—36.

ALAMO LODGE, No. 122.

Walnut Creek, Contra Costa County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Myron Ward Hall, <i>Master</i> ,	Nicholas Graber, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Chadwick, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Arthur Williams, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Marion Daley, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Albert Sherburne,
Josiah Simpson Huntington, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Washington Yoakum, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Jacob Slitz, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Winfield Scott Burpee, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Nathaniel Jones,	John Jacob Slitz,	John Burwell Sydnor.
Western Ebenezer Riddle,		

MASTER MASONS:

Cahen, David	McCullough, Daniel	Shreve, Benjamin
Caldwell, David Alexander	McCullough, John	Simeas, John
Compton, William	McPheeters, Geo. Wash'n	Wells, William Howard
Detlo, John	Miller, Charles Edward	Wiley, John
Hoag, Jacob Vanduzen	Sanford, Farmer	Zabel, Julius—29.
Lynch, William		

FELLOW CRAFTS :

Daley, William King	Stow, James Monroe—2.	Leighton, Franklin Wallace—1.
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WITHDRAWN :

Kerr, John James—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Hammit, George Washington Milim, William—2.

SOTOYOME LODGE, No. 123.

Healdsburg, Sonoma County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

James Shadrack Bell, <i>Master</i> ,	Leslie Alexander Jordon, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Alexander Hill Stites, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Josiah George Green Best, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
Andrew Hemphill Ingham, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Robert West, <i>Marshal</i> ,
George Miller, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Francis Zach. Cunningham, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Edson Fenno, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Young,
	John Call, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Charles Edward Hutton,	Peter Griest,	Robert West,
John Sharp Shafer,	John Nicholas Bailhache,	Albert Wright.

MASTER MASONS :

Abbey, Richard	Bloom, Jonas	Costly, William Stairs
Angwin, William	Bloom, Joseph	Cummings, Eli Rankins
Best, Josiah George Green	Board, William	Fike, Nathan
Blazer, John Smith	Brown, Josiah	Gibson, William Silas
Bloom, David	Canan, William Smyth	Gilman, Jesse Lewell

Goldstein, Henry	Lovell, James Michael	Raabe, Matthias
Grant, John Doty	Mathews, Charles Westly	Renick, Benton Alexander
Grover, Thomas Jefferson	McManus, John Gaw	Robinson, Chester Gates
Hasbrouck, Hermon M.	Mead, Louis Correl	Rupe, Samuel Horn
Hausch, Christian	Mead, Stephen Purdy	Sargent, Henry
Hertel, Rudolph	Miser, Henry S.	Schmidt, Peter
Hooton, Martin Van Buren	Oliver, Truman Stephen	Sweeney, Goolsby
Hudson, Thomas Wade	Patrick, Jefferson Fletcher	Terry, James William
Jenner, Elijah Kirkham	Patrick, Joseph Milton	Thing, Arthur
Johnson, Henry	Paul, John R.	Vaughn, Jesse H.
Killian, James L.	Petray, Ransom Alex.	Wall, Henry Chesly
Lambert, Henry Franklin	Phillips, Duval Drake	Warren, William Porter
Laymance, Isaac Carlin	Powell, Ransom	Young, Michael
Livereau, Joseph	Powell, William John	Young, Nestor Alcinous—74.
Long, Isaac	Price, John	

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Thompson, Marcus Lafayette—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Cummins, John Maple	Dennis, Nelson	Robinson, Charles Henry
Curtis, Charles Henry	Ensign, James Curtis	Thatcher, David—6.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Nobles, Richard Brinton—1.

DIED:

Smith, Jerome Bonaparte—1.

TABLE MOUNTAIN LODGE, No. 124.

Cherokee, Butte County.*Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Alfred Thompson, <i>Master</i> ,	John Robert Meredith, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Caldwell White, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Andrew Ryan, <i>Junior Deacon</i> .
William James, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Edward Jennings Davis, <i>Marshal</i> ,
David Tyre, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Medanich, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Harris Williams, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Henry Jones, }
Frederick Schupbach, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

George Henry Crosette,	Peter Freer,	Louis Glass,
Charles Fayette Lott,	Michael Henry Wells,	Louis Goodday.
Thomas Callow,	Alfred Thompson,	

MASTER MASONS :

Bean, Jackson	Byler, Eldridge Mallard	France, George Willett
Belew, Thomas	Burt, Aaron	Hartson, Chas. Gardener
Blackburn, William Ross	Cushman, Obed	Heintz, Thibault
Branscom, John	Downing, Samuel Little	Hengy, William Sinclair

Hida, Jehu	North, Rufus	Tobin, Terrence
Jones, Peter William	Patterson, Jacob	Vera, Joseph Numa
Knecht, George	Pence, Manoah	Waldeger, Charles
Lawrence, George	Powell, David	Washburn, William Archer
Lewis, James	Rees, William	Wellington, Frederick
McBeth, John	Ritchie, John Henry	Wheeler, Edson Gardner
Morgan, Jenkin	Taber, Floyd	Whitelaw, John Frederick
Nisson, Asmus	Tippy, Leroy Chapin	Wisert, Robert Jackson—54.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Smith, David Franklin—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Wardwell, James Addison—1.

LA FAYETTE LODGE, No. 126.

Sebastopol, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Benjamin Franklin Branscom, <i>Master</i> ,	Albert Stephen Down, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Alfred Godfrey Lesieur, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Samuel Luther Rogers, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Turner Scott, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Henry Perrine Morris, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Otis Allen, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	David Seeley, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
George Newell Sanborn, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Jerry Achey, }
Smithfield Ballard, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	James Martin, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

James Gannon,	Smithfield Ballard,	Michael Ruch.
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MASTER MASONS:

Allen, Benjamin Byrd	Hunt, William Jesse	Royal, John Edward
Anderson, Andrew	Ingram, Silas Derias	Shafer, George Washington
Ballou, Daniel Woodworth	Keim, Levi Folmer	Sheridan, James
Cameron, John Miller	Maxwell, Walter	Sinclair, Wade Hampton
Carson, David	McGuire, William Pleasant	Smith, Joseph
Chenoweth, Jas. Merritt	McPeak, Anthony	Smith, William Henry
Coats, George Washington	McPeak, Eugene	Sullivan, John Wesley
Dempsey, Andrew	Mitty, Nicholas	Walker, John
Elliot, William Ross	Oliver, John Reeves Has'l	Westcott, Oliver
Fickas, Adam	Orender, Joel	Wilton, Thomas Gerritt
Fruits, George Alexander	Orr, John	Winkler, Clayton
Gilliam, David Taylor	Ragle, George Jackson	Witherell, Rufus Henry
Hudspeth, James Madison	Ray, Barzillai	Wright, Joseph—55.
Hunt, Benjamin Wesley	Ross, Losson	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Carlson, Peter John—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Williams, Reuben—1.

RESTORED:

Coats, George Washington Hagans, Alfred Huddleston Witherell, Rufus Henry—3.

WITHDRAWN:

DIED:

Hagans, Alfred Huddleston—1.

Wilson, William Henry—1.

HERMANN LODGE, No. 127.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Christian Heinrich Voigt, <i>Master</i> ,	Adolph Koneke, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Julius George, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Julius Ferdinand Blumberg, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Peter George Bauch, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Julius Levy, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Jonas Jonassen, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Holling, }
Ludwig Schumacher, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles Emil Rohte, <i>Organist</i> ,
George Walter, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,	John Friedrichs, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Franz Staud,	Adolph Theo. Ehrenberg,	Henry Kenitzer,
John George Andresen,	Charles Emil Hansen,	Ralph de Clairmont.

MASTER MASONS:

Andresen, Christian	Haxe, George John	Müller, Adolph
Baehr, William	Heinimann, Michael	Nagel, William
Barkhaus, Fred'h William	Helliesen, Chas. Fred. Aug.	Pohl, Heinrich
Becker, Otto Friedrich	Helmken, John Theodor	Purfurst, August Bernhard
Brand, Hermann	Hemme, Louis	Renz, John
Cassebohm, William	Hofen, Leo	Richter, William Henry
Claussen, Claus Heinrich	Holtz, Wilhelm	Roemer, Caspar
Claussenius, George	Joel, Albert Moritz	Rosenbaum, Fried. Heinrich
Cohn, Lazarus	Jordan, Rudolf	Rossbach, Hermann
Cramer, August	Klatt, Ferdinand	Sadler, Hermann Julius
Dannheimer, Louis	Kloppenber, Otto	Schmidt, Friedrich Heinrich
Dawison, William	Knop, Henry	Schoenan, Henry
Denicke, Ernst August	Kohler, Charles	Schulte, Frederick William
Ebbinghausen, Henry	Korbel, Franz	Schulte, John Gerhard Wm.
Eggers, George Heinrich	Krieg, Anton	Schuman, Carl
Eggers, Johannes Fred. Geo.	Kühl, Hans George	Schüssler, Hermann D. A.
Enricht, Louis	Lackmann, Hermann	Spreckels, Peter
Evers, John Henry	Lange, Fred. Wm. Matthias	Stroecker, Herm. Hy. Wm.
Flugger, Johannes Carl	Laveagar, Jose Maria de	Struewing, Johann Herman
Fredericks, Joseph	Lohse, Nicholas	Sutter, Emil Victor
Glein, Carlos Franz	Lütgens, John	Tiedemann, Martin
Golly, Jean Baptiste	Maurer, Leo	Volkman, Carl Moritz
Grimm, Friedrich Wilhelm	Mausshardt, Conrad	Von Bergen, August H. W.
Grünwald, George	Meinert, Hermann	Vorrath, Andrew Henry
Haacke, Carl	Menges, Adam	Vorrath, Heinrich
Habenicht, Fritz	Mentel, William	Wolters, August
Hahn, Jacob	Mentz, Frederick	Wolters, Heinrich
Hartmann, Adolph Emil	Meyer, John George Herm.	Zwicky, Gabriel
Haubrich, Fried'h Wilhelm	Mocker, William	Zwiegl, Hermann—105.

WITHDRAWN:

Quast, Johannes—1.

DIED:

Bruns, Hermann Helmering, Clement August—2.

VISALIA LODGE, No. 128.

Visalia, Tulare County.

Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS :

John Tuohy, <i>Master</i> ,	Julius Jacob Mack, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Edward Henderson, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Robert Branks, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Richard Hubbard Stevens, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Robert Chidley Broder, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John William Crowley, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Max Braverman,
Jacob Lambert Asay, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Francis Algine Blakeley,
— — — — —, <i>Tyler</i> .	} <i>Stewards</i> ,

Past Masters:

John Benjamin Hockett,	William Alexander Russell,	Abiel Elkins,
Andrew Henderson Broder,	Abram Hunter Murray,	John Cornelius Goad.
Elias Jacob,	Robert Chidley Broder,	

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, George	Grimsley, John Hansford	Miner, James Lowry
Ayers, John	Grussenmyer, J. F. Marion	Neil, Arthur Cornett
Bacigalupi, Theodore	Guggenheim, Leon	Nelson, Edward Peter
Bacon, Fielding	Hackett, Henry	Owen, Wm. Ransellar
Baker, Martin	Hals ead, Timothy	Parker, Basil Gaither
Beyer, Anthony	Harland, William	Parker, Jeremiah
Bolger, Peter	Harter, Isaac Monroe	Patterson, Elisha Hamblin
Brown, Andrew	Hawkins, Rufus Morgan	Pogue, James Wm. Center
Byrd, Pleasant	Hedges, John Harrison	Pollitz, Edward
Calhoun, Milo Adams	Henry, Albert Reece	Reynolds, Jesse Wilson
Chatten, Richard	Herring, George	Roberts, Michael
Carter, Dale Miller	Hertz, Henry	Rockwell, Henry Sheldon
Clark, John	Houston, James	Sanders, Wm. Augustus
Cole, James Jerome	Hunsaker, Allen	Seligman, Louis
Collins, Samuel Henry	Hunsaker, Henry	Smith, George Wheelworth
Coughran, Thomas Benton	Jackson, Andrew	Spencer, Theodore
Creighton, Samuel Gray	Johnson, James Madison	Spier, Joseph
Crowley, Green Berry	Johnson, Oscar Stephanus	Stone, Frederick
Dalhem, David	Jones, John Perham	Stoneman, Finis Ewing
Decker, Clark Kirk	Kelley, Thos. Almaren	Thoms, Samuel Winfield
Denny, James Edward	Kirkland, Berry Spencer	Thomas, Walter Franklin
Eaton, Matthew	Levis, Leon	Tulloch, John William
Ellis, William Josiah	Lightbody, Robert Curran	Van Valer, Edwin Little
Esrey, Justin	Lindsey, Joshua	Ward, Joseph Clarence
Frankenau, Max	Lindsey, Tipton	Weishar, Augustus
Fudge, Iberville Leander	McJunkin, Joseph Talbot	Wells, John Thomas
Gilroy, Launcelot	Merrill, Mumford Stokes	Wells, Morgan James
Glasscock, Alpha Hayden	Merrill, Richmond Peirson	Wentworth, Thos. Benning
Grace, John William	Miles, Burke	Wingfield, Chas. Rosseau
Graham, William George		—105.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Deakin, William	Duckwall, Simon Weaver	Wright, Claiborn—5.
Dixon, Harry	Patton, Myron Houston	

WITHDRAWN :

Clark, Angus Marion	Fudge, William Barrington	Rhodes, William C.
Conyers, Benj. Lafayette	Ferguson, Perry Newton .	Rockwell, Anson John—8.
Fleming, Russell Harris	Putnam, Orville Seth	

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Allen, Amos Judah	Black, Wm. Henry Harrison	Coleman, John Wiley
Baker, Sands	Clark, John Thomas	Holder, Thomas Woodville

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DIED:

Jordan, Francis—1.

NICOLAUS LODGE, No. 129.

Wheatland, Yuba County.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

William Wesley Holland, <i>Master</i> ,	Harvey Lee Betz. <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Martin Van Buren Sparks, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Clinton Wilson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Simon Wolf, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Lamb Campbell, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Haskell Keyes, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Edward Bevan. }
John Frederick Baun, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Frank Kirshner, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

James Haskell Keyes,	Crawford Holland,	Joseph Easton Hollingshead.
Campbell Posen Berry,		

MASTER MASONS:

Barker, Emmet	Filcher, Thomas Joseph	Pascoe, James Henry
Beatty, William Henry	Haile, Henry	Roddan, David Farris
Berry, Rufus Cowan	Holman, Joel	Roddan, Hugh
Brewer, Thomas	Huffaker, Isaac Watts	Samuel, Moses
Brown, Garrick Mallory	Hunt, Francis	Savage, Silas Lee
Click, Daniel	Hutchinson, Perkins Laf'tte	Small, George
Click, Phillip	Jasper, Jos. Miscal Carr'ton	Steineman, John
Cooper, John Gowan	Lee, Miron Lafayette	Stoddard, Cyrus
Corwin, William Spencer	Lohse, Herman	Webster, Adoniram Judson
Crabtree, Benjamin	McCurry, Samuel Sevier	Whiting, Herbert Bryce
Dean, Alfred Larkin	McFee, William James	Williamson, Virgil
Durst, Daniel Peters	Oakley, Amasa Wilder	Wood, Samuel David—49.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Bendel, Bernard	Hicks, James Madison	Howlett, John Marion—5.
Brandt, John Charles	Hill, George Washington	

WITHDRAWN:

Ervin, Henry John	Stoddard, Joel—2.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Stoddard, William—1.

WOODBIDGE LODGE, No. 131.

Woodbridge, San Joaquin County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Thomas Robeson Burkett, <i>Master,</i>	Frederick Franklin Phelps, <i>Sen. Deacon,</i>
James Pinkham Folger, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	James Doctor Huffman, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
William Corell, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	John Newton Woods, <i>Marshal,</i>
John Chatten Thompson, <i>Treasurer,</i>	George Favinger, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Edward Young, <i>Secretary,</i>	Howard Miller Craig, }
David Parks McNeill, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters :

Thomas Henderson,	Erastus Nelson Foote,	Charles Babcock,
John Chatten Thompson,	John Newton Woods,	Charles Cyrus Paulk.
James Pinkham Folger,	Benjamin Franklin Langford,	

MASTER MASONS :

Beckman, Henry	Henderson, James Mitchell	Parker, Alfred Hoard
Beckwith, Byron Dela	Hickey, John Hurd	Peters, Meriman
Blackley, James	House, Messer Ward	Presbury, William
Brumel, Moses	Housken, George	Rose, Anderson
Cain, Aquila	Huffman, Geo. Washington	Rucker, William Atkinson
Campbell, Wash. Lafayette	Hutson, James Lawrence	Rutledge, Edward Galaspa
Carter, William	Johnson, Franklin Lafayette	Rutledge, Joseph Harrison
Dougherty, Lemuel Josiah	Keagle, John Levigood	Short, James Madison
Doyle, Heman	Kettelman, David	Smith, Charles Edward
Faulkner, James Letcher	Kreeger, Solomon	Smith, Charles Samuel
Fugitt, Chism Cooper	McIntosh, Edwin Jonathan	Thompson, James Henry
Gillespie, Luman Oscar	Miles, Ralph Augustus	Turner, Frank
Green, Lewis Delivern	Millis, William Lindsey	Wall, George Lester
Hammond, Roland George	Misener, Norman Sumner	Woods, Robert Blackley
Hart, William	Palin, Samuel Whittingham	Young, William Henry—61.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Rhudy, Augustus Peter—1.

RESTORED:

Craher, Malary—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bressler, George Washington	McNeely, Milton	Riley, George Washington
Craher, Malary	Pearson, Thomas Cook	Thompson, John—7.
Ireland, Elias		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Hendrixson, Andrew Jackson

Pletts, Thomas—2.

DIED:

Wriston, Elihu Ransom—1.

SINCERITY LODGE, No. 132.**Tailorsville, Plumas County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Robert Martin, <i>Master</i> ,	Hugh McCutcheon, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Cyrus Laufman, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Smithers Church, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Job Terrill Taylor, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	George Washington Boyden, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Frank Kruger, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Edward Everett Green, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Robert William Young, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Powell Martin, }
Erastus Powell Smith, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Milford Bard Bransford,	James Henry Whitlock.
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MASTER MASONS:

Banta, Stephen Cromwell	Fraehlich, Daniel	Shepherd, Benjamin W.
Blough, William	Grant, Alexander	Shinn, William
Burge, James Peterson	Gregg, Harrison	Spellier, George
Chappel, John	Hathaway, Hiram Jackson	Standard, George
Cornelius, Joseph	Lounder, Henry	Steele, Albert
Duprey, Darius Mead	McGill, Robert	Talbot, Thomas Jefferson
Epley, Jacob Marcuse	Miller, William Henry	Terrill, Orrin
Firmstone, Henry Thomas	Morton, William Burnett	Wilcox, William Putnam
Flynn, William	Proctor, George	Wilman, Herman H'y Julius
Fritz, Martin	Rowe, John	Young, William G.—43.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Goodfellow, William Dixon	McIntyre, Angus	Stampfie, Theodore—3.
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WITHDRAWN:

Kimball, Mathew Henry—1.

YOSEMITE LODGE, No. 133.**Coulterville, Mariposa County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Mark Parker, <i>Master</i> ,	Carlton Davidson, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Endean, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Andrew Peterson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Wood, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Bernhart Pettit, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Shimer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Frank Herbeck, }
Adam Dodds Gordon, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Henry Myers, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Carlton Davidson,	Simon Hilar Stevens,	Daniel Wagner.
Joseph Leeson,	John Bernhart Pettit,	

MASTER MASONS:

Chase, Rowland Coffin	Morris, Benjamin Franklin	Smith, Edward Holton
Fisk, Oliver	Murry, Benard	Wagner, Charles—21.
Hughes, John	Seller, John Baptist	

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Bruschi, Francesco	Scanlan, John Luke—2.
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WITHDRAWN:

Counts, George—1.

VACAVILLE LODGE, No. 134.

Vacaville, Solano County.

*Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Oscar John Willis, <i>Master</i> ,	Edward William Day, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
George Fred'k Wooderson, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	John Neff Wells, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Steward Williams, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Henry Eversole, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Adolph Theodore, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Isaac Francis Davis, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Robert Carson Marshall, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Joshua Donaldson, }
Andrew Jackson Compton, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Arthur Moore, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Arthur Moore,	Henry Eversole,	Joseph Abraham Collier.
Edward Robinson Thurbur,	Lewis Naphtaly Davidson,	

MASTER MASONS :

Bayley, Joshua Henry	Eversole, James	Robinson, John Barber
Blum, Moses	Hurley, George	Robison, John
Bradford, John Thomas	Levy, Wolf	Rogers, James Roe
Buck, Leonard William	Losee, Charles Henry	Schnee, Crispus Martin
Burgess, Louis de Villo	Merchant, John Baptist	Taylor, Ira
Chandler, Freder'k Brewster	Miller, Meredith Raines	Thompson, Richard
Dellinger, Ambrose Craig	Reynolds, Jas. Wm. Brison	Wilson, Thomas Stanly
Erhart, Joseph	Robinson, Jona. McNeill	—38.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Farmer, William Coburn	Johnson, Washington--2.
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FELLOW CRAFT :

Young, John—1.

RESTORED :

Moran, William—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Bingham, Ozias	Meller, George	Moran, William—4.
Martin, James Dickason		

VALLEY LODGE, No. 135.

Linden, San Joaquin County.

*Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Stephen Barnard, <i>Master</i> ,	Presley Wilburn Dudley, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Baker Stamper, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Charles Warren Martin, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Wasley, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Frederick Shelton, <i>Marshal</i> ,
James Robbert Fennell, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Henry Russell, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Samuel Alexander Williams, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Seth Allen Pearson, }
	John Biven Wooten, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Thomas Trebil Wasley,	Nathaniel Siggon Harrold,	William Baker Stamper,
John Wasley,	Stephen Barnard,	James Robbert Fennell.
John Calhoun Reid,	Henry Ward Charles,	

MASTER MASONS :

Bonham, Hiram Jeffries	Harrison, Norval	Prather, Benjamin Franklin
Brooke, Thomas Jefferson	Hattler, Philip Andrew	Pritchard, Vernon Perry
Canovan, Edward	Hedgpeth, Joel	Rhodes, William Henry
Eldred, Havilah Pembroke	Hendricks, Nathaniel Ward	Smith, Charles Brandon
Fitzgerald, Philip	Hill, John Wesley	Smith, John Washington
Fox, Abraham D.	Hillman, Grafton	Turner, Abraham
Fulkerth, Thomas Henry	Martin, David Patton	Turner, William Thomas
Haines, John Sherbern	Mayne, William Thomas	Wheeler, Thomas
Harrison, Joseph Franklin	Owens, James Rutherford	Wright, George Washington

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ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Durham, John—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Castleberry, William McKindree	Langley, John	Schroder, John George—3.
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DIED:

Champion, Francis Wilburn—1.

PACIFIC LODGE, No. 136.**San Francisco, San Francisco County.***Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

George Leviston, <i>Master,</i>	Joseph Peter Treanor, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Charles Grey Ewing, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Charles Henry Sinclair, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
John Fletcher Byxbee, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Samuel Mosgrove, <i>Marshal,</i>
John Fitzmaurice Kennedy, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Martin Jones, }
Samuel Swift, <i>Secretary,</i>	William Cooper, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Thomas Guard, <i>Chaplain,</i>	Phillip Riegelhaupt, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

John Wade,	George Penlington,	David Arnold D'Ancona,
Thomas Anderson,	John Fitzmaurice Kennedy,	Henry Classen,
Jno. Henry Stoutenborough,	Edward Mickle Miles,	William Green Alban,
Adolphus Hollub,	Solomon Kohlman,	James Washington Reppey.
David Markell,		

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, James Wright	Behlow, Charles John	Blankenstein, Henry
Astredo, Antonio	Behrendt, Herman	Blockman, Abraham
Atkinson, James	Berdan, George Nixon	Boyce, Thomas
Austin, Sampson	Berryman, Fredrick Miles	Bragg, Robert, Jr.
Baldwin, James Waterman	Berryman, Henri Burple	Browell, Jeremiah
Bamberger, Sigmund Simon	Bettman, Moses	Brunn, Jacob
Baum, Gustus	Biley, Antonio Fredrick	Bryant, Charles Wesley
Beck, William Arthur, Jr.	Bingenheimer, Christopher	Burke, Michalmas

Canham, Fredrick	George, David	Levinsky, Lewis
Canham, William	Gerstenberg, Henry	Levinsky, Mark
Carlson, Lars	Gimpele, Maurice Christian	Levy, John
Carrick, William	Gilchrist, John Grant	Levy, Samuel Wolf
Carson, James Gilmore	Gordon, Samuel Abraham	Locke, Samuel
Center, John	Gorie, James	Lovell, Edward Carroll
Chapman, Robert Emmerson	Gray, Henry Simpson	Lowell, Albert Carroll
Chevalier, Enoch Hammond	Gray, John Samuel	Mace, Frederick George
Clement, Henry Newell	Green, William	MacKinnon, Thomas Alex.
Clement, Joseph	Greenebaum, Jacob	Makins, James Nicholas
Cohen, Jacob	Greenhood, Wm. Wolfgang	Manheim, Isaac
Cohen, Simon	Gump, Solomon	Mansbach, Emanuel
Cohn, Louis Meyer	Haas, George	Marcus, Edward James
Colp, James Peter	Hagar, George	Maxson, Frank
Conroy, Eugene Chester	Hahn, Seligman	May, Frederick William
Cook, James Andrew	Hallett, George Henry	McColl, John
Cook, Seymour Samuel	Hallett, Oliver Gray	McElroy, Robert
Corning, Richard Steel	Hanscom, John Ostenelli	McIntyre, James
Crandall, William Gideon	Harris, Daniel	McKew, John
Crooks, Richard	Haubrick, Benjamin	McLeod, Daniel
Culmerry, William Scott	Hayes, George Walfred	McLerie, Henry Johnston
Curry, John	Hechheimer, Leopold	Mehden, Henry
Curry, Nathaniel	Helbing, August	Melbourn, Joseph
Daley, John Henry	Henderson, Frank	Merrett, Stephen Ferris
Daniel, John	Heins, Herman	Messer, Joseph
Daniel, William Lyon	Hickei, Henry	Mills, Charles Jameison
Dennison, Ami Prince	Honig, Michaelis	Morton, Thomas
Deutsch, Jacob	Hughes, Henry	Morris, William
Dinkelspiel, Lazarus	Hunter, Henry	Mouser, Silas Mercer
Doble, Abner	Isaac, Albert	Muir, Adam
Dockendorf, George	Jackson, William Carleton	Muller, Cassian
Douglass, James	Johnson, Christ'n Emanuel	Muller, Constantine
Dodge, Henry	Jones, John Watkins	Munk, Richard Emil Louis
Druhe, John Gerhard	Joost, Jacob	Murray, George Ireland
Drum, Edward Farrington	Kamps, Frederick William	Myer, Charles
Earle, Henry Halford	Keller, Albert Winslow	Myers, Henry
Edwards, David Henry	Kerr, Earle	Nathan, Bernard
Elder, William James	Kervan, Thomas Lawrence	Newbaur, Herman Wolf
Evans, Peter James	Kincaid, Isaac Philamson	Newbaur, Joseph
Ferreria, Aquilino Lopez	King, Henry Lewis	Newberry, Miles Gray
Fischer, Frank Xavier	Kohlman, Charles	Newfield, Marcus
Fisher, George William	Kowalsky, Simon	Newhall, Horatio Chever
Flaherty, John	Kuhn, George Matthaus	Newman, Abraham
Flavin, Martin Jackson	Kullman Lewis	O'Neill, Robert
Foorman, Samuel	Lake, Benjamin	Orr, William Hanna
Forrest, Wm. Drummond	Lake, Harvey	Phillips, Nicholas
French, William Frederick	Lang, George	Parker, Charles Hubbard
Freund, Philip	Langrehr, Henry Cristian	Parker, John Henry
Fuller, Andrew Henry	Lee, Franklin Vanzandt	Penhallow, DeBlois Pearce
Gage, Amos Kendall	Leibes, Herman	Penlington, Thomas
Garratt, James Hyland	Leibes, William	Pierce, Nelson
Gedge, George	Lengfeld, Abraham Lewis	Pippee, Robert Norman
Gellatly, James Rattray	Leverentz, Charles	Price, James Keller
Geohagan, Samuel	Levingston, Frank	Purdie, James Thomas

Rabjohn, Thomas Henry	Shelton, Henry Ashton	Tullock, James
Reckman, John	Simpson, David	Von Rhein, Otto Frank
Reid, Thomas	Simpson, Thomas Benjamin	Voss, Henry
Reynolds, Thomas Harris	Sinsheimer, Simon	Walls, John
Ritter, Charles August	Smith, Edwin Lawrence	Wangenheim, Henry
Robbins, William Joseph	Smith, Henry Augustus	Waterson, George Thompson
Roberts, John Charles	Spencer, George William	Weed, Alexander
Rose, William Henry	Staeglich, Louis Frank	Welch, James Madison, Jr.
Ruge, Ramon Antonio	Stern, David	Wertheimer, Emanuel
Samuels, David	Sternheim, Samuel	White, Robert
Samuels, Wm. Robt. Gilling	Sterns, Leopold	Whiting, Henry Herpine
Sanderson, James	Strahan, Simon	Wiederhold, Chas. Augustus
Schanzlin, Geo. Herm. Lud.	Stratton, George Herbert	Wiegbl, William
Seelig, Simon	Stuart, William	Wilson, Joseph Lewis
Self, George Williams	Sweet, Solomon	Winkle, Henry
Selig, Marx	Taables, Maximillian	Wulff, Francis Murtes
Sheedman, Barr	Toelken, Herman	Young, William Albert—261.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Hoornbeck, William Patterson Mitchell, William Lewis—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Coes, George Henry Simon, Sigmund Lewis Tierney, Martin—4.
Rothe, Remy Frank

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Goldsmith, Lewis Hayden, Charles Burleigh Smith, Thomas James—5.
Harris, James Henry McComb, John

DIED :

Brander, John Samuel Leppein, Frederick Wade, John Frederick
Hunter, Lewis Clarence Shuman, Benjamin Wielings, Charles Michael
Isaac, Joseph Solomon, David —8.

VIOLET LODGE, No. 138.

Spanish Flat, El Dorado County.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

James Moon, <i>Master</i> ,	Francis Marion Bell, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Cary Anderson, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John McGraw, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Frederick Lagersen, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Lewis Reed, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Jay Lawyer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Reuben Demuth,
George Herman Roelke, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Henry Grove Maltby,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
	David Martin, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

John Dodd Skinner, William Lewis Reed, James Moon.

MASTER MASONS:

Jillson, Emmet McMannis, Thomas Reese, John William—17.
Markle, John Alexander Macnevin, Henry Patrick

CROCKETT LODGE, No. 139.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

James Lafayette Cogswell, <i>Master</i> ,	Theodore Wm. Leydecker, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Robert Henry Barclay, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Ernest Conrad Maack, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Geo. Augustus Hubbard, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Jethro Hanson Hurd, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Samuel Simmons, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Jones Nightingale, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Carsten Hildebrandt, <i>Secretary</i> ,	—————, }
Ira C. Root, (of California Lodge, No. 1,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Edward Eagan,	Carsten Hildebrandt,	James Lafayette Cogswell.
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MASTER MASONS:

Allen, James	Haesloop, Detmar	Nelson, Peter
Bardenhagen, Henry John	Hansen, Henry Sorenson	Nicolaysen, Frank
Beathy, James	Haycock, Judson	Nougues, Peter Thomas
Bryant, Andrew Jackson	Hesler, John	Palmer, Richard
Bush, John	Hill, Benjamin Stone	Parker, Harvey Drury
Brown, Thomas	Hosking, John	Phillips, John
Carson, Charles	Hunt, John Edward	Phister, Andrew
Chambers, George Wm.	Johnson, James Carr	Pugh, John Frederick
Coram, John	Johnson, Peter	Rasmussen, Rasmus
Cord, William John	Kelly, Robert Gabriel	Richards, Orlando Spencer
Cosgrove, John	Kercheval, Robert	Richards, William Henry
Cox, Christopher Charles	Knoechel, Charles	Sanchez, Joseph Cipriano
Cox, Richard	Knop, Elfert	Schammel, Henry
Crofts, John James	Kuhlmann, Diederich	Schultz, Louis
Crozier, William John	Lambert, William Patrick	Segesser, John Ulrich
Dean, Charles Othello	MacBeth, Alexander	Simpson, James
Diedering, Leopold	Mackrett, George Bowen	Squarza, Vincent
Dyer, William Candon	Mahan, John Fenton	Stamp, John
Fazackerly, Joseph	McCann, Richard	Stutz, Jacob
Ferguson, William S.	McConnachie, John	Stewart, John
Flathmann, Claus	McCormick, Felix	Tilden, Heber Nutter
Fortriede, H'y Chris. Nico's	McCracken, Arthur	Tucker, Henry S.
French, Louis	McCullough, Samuel	Vincent, Osmer Brown
Gallagher, James Joseph	McQuesten, Charles	Woods, David C.—84.
Grosgebauer, John	Miller, Peter Christian	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Koerber, August—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Dyer, Rudolphus Cyrus	Mason, Smith Moore	Waller, Leopold Philip Feist—4.
Jones, Frederick Francis		

RESTORED:

Hunt, John Edward—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Dawson, George Charles	Parsons, Charles Jacob	Priestley, Charles James—4.
Holmes, William Edward		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Agnew, Robert
Debney, Gerard

Glover, Charles George
Kreschel, Ferdinand J.

Steil, Henry—5.

DIED:

Gray, Henry Martyn

Schroeder, John Diedrich—2.

CURTIS LODGE, No. 140.

Cloverdale, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Henry Kier, *Master*,
———, *Senior Warden*,
Neil Auker, *Junior Warden*,
Joseph Albany Carrie, *Treasurer*,
Charles Henry Cooley, *Secretary*,

Jacob Graig Heald, *Senior Deacon*,
John Goetzelman, *Junior Deacon*,
John Field, *Marshal*,
Lars Hugo Walford, } *Stewards*,
Peter Landis Shelford, }

Francis Marion Lamb, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Thomas Johnson,
Henry Kier,

Charles Henry Cooley,
Jacob Graig Heald,

Daniel Morgan Wambold,
James Abraham Kleiser.

MASTER MASONS:

Brush, David Cavin
Brush, William Thomas
Davis, Barton Jackson
Downing, William Henry
Gould, Thomas Jefferson
Hampson, Henry Abiel
Harrison, Richard

Larrison, Samuel
Layton, Frank Burton
Ledford, William Ralls
Livingston, Wm. Spencer
Marble, Theod'e Roderick
Mitchell, John Morill
Ring, Homer William

Scott, Sylvester
Shores, Leander
Smith, Elzaphan Ithamore
Smith, Jehiel
Tredennick, Henry James
Ward, James Abraham
Young, Henry Joseph—34.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Reuben, Henry Sink—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Abshier, James; Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Cook, Charles
Duncle, William Rufus

Hartsock, Adolphus

Kline, Mark—4.

DIED:

Moyle, William (E. A.)

Stockwell, Murrenos Vincent—2.

GRAFTON LODGE, No. 141.

Knight's Landing, Yolo County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Alexander Mills, *Master*,
Andrew Kness, *Senior Warden*,
Gerhard Adolph Meater, *Junior Warden*,
Isaac Jefferson Ely, *Treasurer*,
Henry McBride Kier, *Secretary*,

Peter Goettsch, *Senior Deacon*,
Thomas Joshua Adams, *Junior Deacon*,
John Wells Snowball, *Marshal*,
Julius Martin, } *Stewards*,
Robert Roberts, }

Charles Oscar Copp, *Tyler*.

Past Masters :

Robert Roberts,
John Wells Snowball,

Edward Littleton Parramore,

Isaac Jefferson Ely.

MASTER MASONS:

Barney, Carey	Fahrion, J. George	Schneegass, Henry
Bostwick, William Henry	Gruwell, Jacob	Sias, Archilaus
Crane, Donald	Hoffman, Geo. Washington	Turner, Augustus Cyrus
DePencier, Silas Theodore	Leathers, John Abner	Vaughan, Corn. Lewis Nevil
Dunham, Thomas Jefferson	Lewis, George Bedford	Young, William Bradley
Elliott, Jasper Newton	Roseberry, Barney Hughes	—29.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Lane, Levi Connover—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Buttlar, Chas. J. R. Truesch	Gordon, Edward Ashby	Mead, Luther Henry—4.
Clarke, William John		

COLUSA LODGE, No. 142.**Colusa, Colusa County.**

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

John Henry Liening, <i>Master,</i>	Richard Jones, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Jeremy Rockwell Totman, <i>Sen. Warden,</i>	William Nichols Herd, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Claus Kopf, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Parsons Lummis Washburn, <i>Marshal,</i>
James Wilkins Goad, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Henry Augustus Van Dorsten, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Otho Sprigg Mason, <i>Secretary,</i>	— — — — — }
	James William Gill, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

John Henry Liening,	Jeremy Rockwell Totman,	Richard Jones.
William Frank Goad,		

MASTER MASONS :

Abshier, Uriah	Gregory, Henry	Peterson, Peter
Allen, William Tipton	Haddick, Jos. N. Morrison	Putman, Francis Marion
Anderson, Thos. Hart Benton	Harden, George Beaty	Ramsey, John Bluford
Baldwin, Chester	Harris, Elisha Avery	Rathburn, Erskine
Beauchamp, Ashley	Hart, Jackson	Robinson, Luke
Calmes, Waller	Hart, Samuel Armstrong	Sehorn, Andrew Wallace
Clark, Eli	Howard, James Leland	Smith, Stephen
Culp, John Mason	Johns, George Washington	Talbott, Thomas Irwin
Daly, Owen Vincient	King, Thomas Carroll	Thayer, Albert Austin
Davis, Maberry	Logan, Hugh A. "	Wakefield, Leroy Sutton
Estill, William Kavanaugh	Marshall, William Walker	Weast, John Kyle
Fine, Ledgard Belt	McWilliams, And. Shannon	Winkler, James Jackson
Graham, Edward Ruthvan	Mead, Alfred	Wood, Archibald—52.
Goodrid, William	Montgomery, Alexander	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Moore, Henry—1.

RESTORED:

McWilliams, Andrew Shannon—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Marshall, Newton Benton Tuttle, Edwin Fleveous Worley, Howes Henry—3.

DIED:

Lewis, Edward Hamilton—1.

FRANKLIN LODGE, No. 143.**Onisbo, Sacramento County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Solomon Runyon, <i>Master</i> ,	Harrison Span Ivey, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Jens Romeo Olsen, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Edward Dove, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Peter Bernhard Green, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Crofton, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Boyer Foster, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Valentine Sims,
William Johnston, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Hans Bernard Wm. Jagau,
	Asbury B. Hustler, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Reuben Kercheval,	James Valentine Sims,	Hans Bernard Wm. Jagau.
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MASTER MASONS:

Arrasmith, Vernon	Krull, Ane Ayelts	Tyler, Walker Corodon
Cornish, George Franklin	Morse, Stephen Turner	Walker, Thomas Corodon
Hansen, Charles Erasmus	Northup, Eugene Daniel	Walker, Thomas Lewis
Hollister, Dwight	Parker, John Frank	Weaden, Thomas Henry
Huggins, Henri Tyler	Stephenson, Oscar	Winter, Wilhelm John—27.

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Huber, Herman Pool, Francis M.—2.

RESTORED:

Foster, William Boyer.

ORIENTAL LODGE, No. 144.**San Francisco, San Francisco County.***Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

William James Townshend, <i>Master</i> ,	Harry Gregory Newhall, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Edgar Frank Preston, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Robert Boyd Milroy, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Vale, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Alfred Walton Baldwin,
William Friend Dorrance, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alfred Philemon Needles,
William Henry Loring, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Emery Tippet, <i>Organist</i> ,
John Perrins, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,	Ira Colburn Root, (of Cal'a, No. 1.) <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

James Pullman,	Cornelius Preston Robinson,	Marcus Aurelius Edmonds,
Alfred Coolidge Waitt,	Samuel Edwards Dutton,	John Brewster Overton,
John Bell,	David Charles Smith,	William Nisbet Olmstead,
William Friend Dorrance,	Thomas Kyle,	Walter Scott Brown.
Milton Hills Myrick,	Charles Edward Holbrook,	

MASTER MASONS :

Aaroe, Sorentius August	Harding, James Whitlock	Newhall, George Daniel
Adams, George Russell	Harney, William	Newhall, Henry Mayo
Allison, William D.	Harris, Henry Richard	Newhall, William Mayo
Athearn, William	Hartshorne, Benj. Minturn	Nicholson, John Henry
Barrett, Lawrence Patrick	Hathaway, Edw'd Valentine	Norcross, Daniel
Barry, Edward	Hawes, Oliver	O'Keeffe, Thomas John
Beamish, Percy	Hawkins, Francis Charles	Olin, Ansel S.
Bent, Edward Fitz	Healy, Charles Smith	Otto, Charles
Best, John Tritten	Hendley, Aaron Chaffin	Partridge, Edward Briggs
Blair, Augustine Wash'ton	Heron, James	Peirce, Frederick Wilmer
Bousfield, Frederick Henry	Heusch, Constantine	Phillips, Richard
Bradford, Gershom	Heuston, Hamilton Millett	Piercy, John Daniel
Brogan, Charles Carroll	Heydenfeldt, Solomon, Jr.	Poindexter, Cornelius Wils'n
Brown, Brainard Charles	Hofmann, Joseph Albert	Porter, Thomas Alexander
Brown, Grafton Tyler	Holcomb, Samuel Elisha	Powers, George Herman
Bryan, James Edward	Hollis, William	Putnam, Charles Benjamin
Bryant, William French	Holt, John Henry	Rail, Eugene Benton
Buchanan, William Arthur	Hooper, William Burchell	Roberts, George Washington
Bugbee, Samuel Charles	Hubbard, Adolphus Skinner	Rochet, Joseph Arnaud
Burges, Tristram	Hunter, John Valpey	Rogers, Fordyce Hunting'n
Campbell, Walter Chauncey	Hutchinson, John Jennings	Rosie, Walter
Carlson, Edward	Hyde, Richard Elting	Sampson, Frederick Wm.
Castle, Stephen	Jackson, Alden W.	Sawyer, Lorenzo
Clayton, Charles	Jackson, Charles Goddard	Schneider, Edward William
Cooper, Eugene Thatcher	Jarboe, John Rudolph	Scranton, Charles Edgar
Cragin, Wm. Sawyer Wall	Jewell, Ammi Mitchell	Selleck, Silas
Crittenden, Chas. Seymour	Jones, Evan Edward	Seyler, Charles, Jr.
Crowell, Charles Fitch	Jordan, George Leighton	Shattuck, Charles Curtis
Cubery, William McBurney	Josselyn, Charles	Shattuck, David Dustin
Cutten, Edward Logan	Jost, Charles	Sherman, William
Douthitt, David William	Kelly, Thomas	Smith, Henry Sidney
Dunham, Benj. Franklin	Kerr, James Patterson	Smith, Sidney Mason
Eagleson, John Geddis	Larrabee, John Fiske	Smith, William Barber
Earle, George	Lawson, James Smyth	Souther, Joseph Nathaniel
Eldridge, John Oscar	Lemon, Charles	Stanyan, Charles Henry
Ellis, Henry Cromwell	Leveridge, William Kirk	Stearns, Hiram Augustus
Ellis, Henry Hiram	Lewis, Mortimer James	Steel, Thomas
Emery, Henry Tilton	Lloyd, Reuben Hedley	Stillman, Jacob David Bab'k
Evans, Gomer	Louderback, And. Anderson	Stone, Dudley Columbus
Fiske, Henry Gustavus	Lowell, Nathan Reuben	Story, Charles Robinson
Gardiner, Thomas	Ludlum, Thomas Badgley	Sturges, Frank Fanning
Garratt, William Thompson	Maguire, Joseph Mitchell	Swan, Benjamin Ralph
Geary, John Fitzgibbon	Malpas, Alfred	Taylor, Samuel Pendfield
Gibon, Thomas	Mathews, Edwin Goodrich	Taylor, William
Ginty, John	Mathews, Henry Edward	Teschemacher, Henry Fred.
Godley, Montgomery	Mande, Albert Clement	Thompson, Geo. Howard
Gordon, James Edward	Maxwell, James	Thornton, Samuel Kennedy
Grant, Thos. Chamberlain	Mayhew, Harrison Allen	Trimble, Leonard
Green, Adam Treadwell	McMechan, James	Turkington, Rich'dson Robt.
Greenwood, Monroe	Merry, William Lawrence	Unruh, Henry Augustus
Hagemann, Frederick, Jr.	Montague, Wilford Weed	Van Pelt, Peter
Hall, William Hammond	Mooers, John	Wade, Albert Patten

Wallace, James Hargraves	Webster, Daniel Francis	Winchester, John Parker
Walrath, Austin	Welton, Lamson Scoville	Wood, Abraham
Walton, Nelson Collins, Jr.	Westdahl, Ferdinand	Wooster, John Benjamin
Ware, John Harper	Wheeler, Frederick Alex.	Wright, Stuart Selden
Waterman, Fred'k Hubbell	Williamson, Robt. Stockton	Young, Thomas
Waters, John Stearn	Wilson, John Yates	Younger, Wm. John—198.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Plate, Henry Augustus—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Calvert, John Paige, Chas. Angel—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Cook, Sydney Pearl	Packwood, Edward Thomas	Phelps, Geo. Woodbridge
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DIED:

Batchelor, Edward Payson	Farren, Charles James	Pardee, Joseph Warren—3.
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VITRUVIUS LODGE, No. 145.**Bloomfield, Sonoma County.***Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Walter C. Percival, <i>Master</i> ,	John M. Crose, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Bruce Travers Cockrill, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Henry Crawford Crowder, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Parker Hall, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Haywood White, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Demick Lake, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	David Harrison Parks, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles Howard Crawford, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Abraham H. Parks, }
	Cuthbert White, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Charles Richard Arthur,	Theodore Guevara Cockrill,	John Salton Oliver.
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MASTER MASONS :

Appleton, John	Guldager, Hans	Parker, Alva
Augustine, Samuel Miller	Hoag, David	Powers, Talbert Parker
Bailey, Robert	Johnson, Michael	Parks, Oliver Browning
Cates, Augustus	Knapp. Gen. Washington	Percival, Samuel Crofts
Church, Samuel Howard	Koebelin, Laurence	Sheldon, Oliver Proctor
Duncan, Stafford	Kuffel, Isaac	Stillwell, Valencourt
Dutton, Geo. Washington	Lasen, John	Thompson, William Hunton
Dutton, Warren	Laufenburge, Michael	Williscraft, John—40.
Ephraim, Solomon	Mooney, Thomas	

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Greening, John—1.

RESTORED :

Cash, Jerome—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Achuff, Jesse Newton	Gilbert, Matthias	Isom, Hugh—4.
Cash, Jerome		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Hoag, Jared Charles	Lorenzen, Peter	Peters, Charles—4.
Hinshaw, John David		

ABELL LODGE, No. 146.

Ukiah, Mendocino County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Thomas Benjamin Bond, <i>Master</i> ,	William Henry Barnes, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Jeremiah Henry Donahoe, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Andrew Dick, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George McCowen, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Louis Taylor Day, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Samuel Orr, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Harris Hughes, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles Callaghan Hamilton, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Hiram Heaton Mitchell, }
William Tell Zimmerman, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

William Henry Barnes,	William Hanscomb Haskell,	Lewis Roberts Barnes.
Thomas Langley Carothers,	Thomas Langley Barnes,	

MASTER MASONS :

Ambrose, Charles Delos	Fairbanks, Mandal W.	Kilbourne, Wm. Vincent
Bates, William Henry	Fanning, Nathan Stamps	Marks, Seymour
Barnes, Edgar McDowell	Forse, William Henry	McClintock, William
Beasore, Daniel Potter	Gibson, Andrew Jackson	McCowen, Hale
Benton, Theodore Henry	Gibson, George Washington	McGarvey, Robert
Briggs, Moses Carson	Gillespie, William	Newsom, James Monroe
Brown, Oliver Hazard Perry	Gobbi, Daniel	Norris, Andrew Jackson
Burns, Benjamin Smith	Hagans, Wallace Montg'my	Orr, James Henry
Charlton, Thomas	Hagans, William Boyd	Powell, John Washington
Cleveland, William Jasper	Heald, George William	Rogers, James Taylor
Cole, William Marion	Henderson, Benjamin	Seawell, John Henry
Congleton, Aden C.	Henry, John Rice	Smith, John Peter
Cook, James Clinton	Henry, William	Son, Charles Johnson
Duncan, Jacob	Hensley, Henry Livingstone	Todd, John Franklin
Dunsing, Frederick	Hoffman, Charles	Wagenseller, Norton
Elledge, William Clint	Host, William	Wright, Berry—63.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Barnett, Elias—1.

RESTORED :

Short, John Rice—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Heisel, Paul	Savage, Hubbard	Short, John Rice
Lamar, Joseph Basil	Schneider, Charles Peter	Taught, James Madison—7.
Moore, Lucius Warfield		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Jamison, James Alston	Woodruff, Edward Charles—2.
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DIED :

Vann, William Henry—1.

EEL RIVER LODGE, No. 147.

Rohnerville, Humboldt County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Seth Hopkins Crabtree, <i>Master</i> ,	_____ , <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Van Sickle, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Frank Crabtree, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
_____ , <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Alvin Simpson Grinnell, <i>Marshal</i> ,
_____ , <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Peter Houck, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Frederick Bela Simonds, <i>Secretary</i> ,	_____ ,
Miles Warren, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Master:

Abner Dill Sevier.

MASTER MASONS:

Atkeson, William Ervin	Feigenbaum, Joseph	Perrott, Mathew
Brown, Salmon	Felt, Theodore Dwight	Richards, Charles Wesley
Buyatte, Louis	Fitzgerald, Cyrus Calvin	Singley, David Hosea
Coates, John	Foss, James Calvin	Simmons, John Lamport
Coates, John Pim	Frost, Charles Baker	Singley, George Henry
Dale, John	Halliday, George	Spacht, John
Derr, Peter	Hibbert, Farnum	Stubbs, Martin Walkerly
Dobbyn, William Butler	Hicklin, Edward	Taylor, Charles Guilford
Dorr, James Clarkson	Hicks, Leonard Salimon	Trost, John Henry
Dungan, Jesse Henry	Howard, James Bloxum	Wiley, John Bassett
Drummond, Mark	Jewett, George Parish	Wood, Artemus Acey
Feigenbaum, Benedict	Martin, Augustus	Wright, Seaman—44.

WITHDRAWN:

Ballentine, Samuel	Graham, John George	Lassell, Augustus Dennick
Becker, Charles	Hiller, George	Sweasey, Thomas William
Case, Horace Smith	Hessig, Louis	Webster, William Isaac
Cooper, John Woodcock	Johnson, Christopher	Wilson, John Gilbert—14.
Dale, Jeremiah	Kerrigan, Thomas	

LASSEN LODGE, No. 149.

Susanville, Lassen County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

William Henry Crane, <i>Master</i> ,	William Charles Kingsbury, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Duane Harrison Tucker, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Sanders Sanders, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Wesley Hendrick, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Renshaw Lockwood, <i>Marshal</i> ,
David Knoch, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Eber Gaston Bangham, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Chany Partridge, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Branham, }
Allen Wood, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Albert Augustus Smith,	Allen Wood,	William Henry Crane,
John Chany Partridge,	John Renshaw Lockwood	Dennis Tanner.

MASTER MASONS :

Arnold, Alexander Thrall	Hall, Wright Patrick	Painter, Benjamin Bell
Benton, Sidney S.	Harrison, Michael	Pine, John N.
Bereman, Henry	Hosselkus, John Wesley	Richardson, Joseph
Black, Samuel Throop	Houchins, William	Seagrave, John Henry
Blake, James Curran	Hulsmann, John Fritz	Sloss, Ferdinand Americus
Bowman, Edwin David	Hurlbert, Perrin Delos	Snyder, Henry
Brockman, William	Hyer, David Campbell	Spalding, Zetus Newell
Cahlan, John	Johnston, Robert	Stiles, Lyman Collins
Cary, Edwin Ruthen	Johnston, Samuel	Streshly, Orlando
Chapman, John Slater	Kelley, John Davis	Talbert, Henry
Cramer, Charles	Kingsbury, David Orin	Talbot, Enoch Stanwood
Cramer, Daniel	Knudson, Lewis	Thomas, Frank
Davis, John Charles	Long, Thomas Newton	Titherington, David
Drake, Frank	Lybarger, Geo. Robinson	Tunison, Henry B.
Duncan, And'w Cunningh'm	McDow, Lafayette Decody	Vary, La Due
Garrett, John Preston	Miller, Andrew	Ward, Trowbridge Hyer
Goumaz, Phillip Jacob	Minckler, William David	Wheeler, Daniel Carl
Griffin, Francis Marion	Moore, Charles Brady	Williams, Charles Francis
Hall, Davis Clark	Mosely, Albert B.	Worm, Augustus Wm.—72.
Hall, William Henry	Naileigh, William Hill	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Titherington, Joseph Baker—1.

RESTORED:

McDaniel, John—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Kelley, George Fox

McDaniel, John

Masten, William King—3.

DIED:

Bennett, George Newton—1.

MOLINO LODGE, No. 150.

Tehama, Tehama County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Alvah Peterson, <i>Master</i> ,	Randolph Leadyard Williams, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
John Simpson, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Alexander Newman, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
Gavin Walker Hutchins, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Andrew Simpson, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Henry Baumgarten, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Jonathan Cooper Tyler, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Salomon Brachman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Simpson Aitken, }
Robert Monroe Woods, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Robert Hurd Blossom,

Alvah Peterson.

MASTER MASONS :

Boire, Moses	Fish, Lafayette	Gyle, Louis Abraham
Bratten, John Michael	Galland, Joseph Barnett	Harvey, Charles
Bryant, Morrison Marshal	Gemmill, John Blaine	Hazlett, Charles F.
Chamberlain, Joseph	Griggs, Sydney Allen	Heider, Christian
Ferrier, John Sutter	Gyle, Herman	Hyatt, George Henry

Johnson, Mathew Rector	Nolan, Francis	Vestal, Francis Asherry
Karmelenski, Jacob	Packard, Salmon	Watkins, William Wallace
Mays, William Henry	Rodgers, James Madison	Williams, Geo. Washington
Miller, William Wallace	Smith, John Nesbett	Wilson, Henry Clay—39.

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Davis, Frank Foster, Charles Frederick—2.

RESTORED:

George, Edward Thomas—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Fish, Charles Erskine

George, Edward Thomas—2.

PALMYRA LODGE, No. 151.

Placerville, El Dorado County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Thomas Fraser, <i>Master</i> ,	Oliver Vinton Moss, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John William Dench, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Peter Papina, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Irwin Reed, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	George Burnham, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Blair, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Franklin McDonald, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
George Heirn Gilbert, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Robert Blair, }
Theodore Eisele, dt. Sr., <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

George Heirn Gilbert,	John Peter Wonderlich,	Geo. Washington Phillips.
George Burnham,	Solomon Alexander Long,	

MASTER MASONS:

Alden, Samuel Jemmison	Hunger, Frederick	Pearson, John McFarlan
Allen, John Page	Jones, Albert Sabin	Penwell, Samuel Alex.
Bailey, James Green	Jewell, Godfrey	Phillips, John Wells Davis
Blakely, Alburn James	Larned, Wellington	Piaggi, Eugene
Boop, John Daniel,	Little, Hiram	Rolleri, Joseph
Bowyer, Geo. Washington	Marsh, Orlando Marble	Shattuck, Chas. Washington
Celio, Carlo Guisepepe	Macomber, David	Sheldon, Henry Bradley
Cowan, William Wallace	Martin, Samuel	Spencer, Lorenzo
Culbertson, And. Thompson	McDonald, Byron	Swan, Geo. Washington
Danz, Paul	Moore, Solomon	Turnbull, Robert Oliver
DeWitt, Lemuel Bradley	Morey, Henry Sylvester	VanVoorhies, Ralph Josiah
Donaldson, John	Morris, Theodore Henry	Varozza, Marco
Frost, Amos Locke	Murray, Benjamin Franklin	Watt, Peter
Gardella, Andrew	Murray, Nelson Henry	Wetherwax, Charles Henry
Griffith, Maurice Griffith	Nash, Isaac Henry	Wray, George Washington
Howlett, Geo. Washington	Olsen, Erie	Wright, Benjamin Franklin
Hume, James Bunyan	Page, Horace Francis	Zerga, Stefano—65.

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Hardie, Thomas Oswald

Williams, John—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Bell, William Johnson

Debernardi, Giacomo

Misenne, Luigi Candido—3.

WITHDRAWN:

Turman, Byron Isaac—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Gates, Benjamin Franklin—1.

DIED:

Wilcox, Truman—1.

WOODLAND LODGE, No. 156.

Woodland, Yolo County.

*Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

James Veirs, <i>Master</i> ,	Humphrey Hicks, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Lowry Simpson, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John McKenna, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Ross, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	——— <i>Marshal</i> ,
Temple Perrin Magee, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Frank Albert Knox, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Kerson Smith, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Watson Peck, {
Benjamin Franklin Harlin, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Thomas Cross Pockman,	Charles Lynus Beach,	John Dixon Stephens,
Charles Stincen Frost,	Daniel Monroe Burns,	Andrew Carlisle Kear.
James Kerson Smith,	Nicholas Wyckoff,	

MASTER MASONS:

Andrews, Geo. Washington	Elliott, Nathan	Lippman, George
Armstrong, Alex. Stewart	Everett, Philip George	Machefert, Jean Marie Leon
Aronson, Henry	Fisher, Peter Woods	Megowan, Robert Wickliff
Baker, Francis Ellsworth	Frazier, Donald	Miller, Frederick
Bayley, Alexander Alonzo	Freeman, Frank Sylvester	Miller, Hezekiah Monroe
Bentley, Geo. Washington	Garoutte, Jere. Manahan	Perry, Henry
Berg, Emanuel	Gosliner, Julius	Proctor, Calderon Weld
Billingsley, Urban Clark	Grimes, George Clayton	Reindollar, Theo. Buffington
Brown, Francis Marion	Hall, Andrew Jackson	Relyea, Simon Baker
Browning, Robert Welch	Harper, Sterling Gorman	Root, James
Browning, William York	Howell, Marcus Worden	Simpson, James
Bullock, James Porter	Hubbard, Daniel Campbell	Smith, John Pincock
Church, Constant Brown	Hyman, Morris	Sparks, Stephen Linton
Cofer, James Mack	Jacobs, John	Steele, Samuel G.
Cofer, Ransom Daniel	Johnson, Erasmus Bartholin	Steiner, Adam
Cole, George Jermain	Johnson, James	Strong, Jason Bunce
Comfort, Joseph	Kean, Fischel	Thomas, Marcus Wash'gton
Curry, William Campbell	Kelly, John Marshall	Troop, Oscar Franklin
Davis, Charles Henry	Kenyon, Curtis George	Watson, Joseph Benjamin
Davis, Samuel Augustus	Kenyon, Theron E.	Welch, Robert Francis
Day, Charles Granville	Lambert, John	Welch, William Hibbitts
Dexter, Thomas Jefferson	Lasky, Mark	—82.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Grum, David

Kincheloe, Zachariah Benson—2.

WITHDRAWN:Banfield, John Addison
Buckley, Robert ThomasConnell, Hiram Davis
Goodson, Jessie

Ralston, George—5.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:Anderson, Henry
Armstrong, James Alexander

Freil, Jeremiah

Thompson, William—4.

EXPELLED:

Mackie, James Forsyth—1.

DIED:

Galbraith, Alexander—1.

GIBSONVILLE LODGE, No. 158.

Gibsonville, Sierra County.

*Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Charles Oliver McQuesten, <i>Master</i> ,	John Thomas Stevenson, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Augustus Frederick Robson, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	William Davis Thorn, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Adam Carr Meikle, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Jacob Soper Gould, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Gerhard Kahrs, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alexander Ross,
George McLeod, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles Edwin Overstreet, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Henry Wright, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Abel McFarland,	Carlos Duane Jillson,	Roderick Sutherland.
Charles Oliver McQuesten,		

MASTER MASONS:

Berry, James Edwin	Hampson, Henry Clay	Meikle, Don'd Allen Frazer
Bieler, Nicholas	Hogan, Martin	Metcalf, Samuel
Brown, Henry Rolf	Humphreys, Thomas	Mortimore, Richard
Copeland, Isaac	Keefer, John Nicholas	Overstreet, Law'rnce Dabney
Corbett, David	Kenn, Alexander	Patterson, Robert Pagan
DeNoon, James Powers	Kling, François Joseph	Robley, George
Douglass, John	Lang, William Frederick	Schofield, Miles
Dwinell, Aaron Lorenzo	Lawrence, Thomas Fisk	Sheppard, Richard Densmore
Forbes, Hector	McMartin, Findley Arch'd	Wolters, Charles
Gordon, Charles	Meikle, David	Wolters, George—45.
Hagemann, Charles		

RESTORED:

Berry, James Edwin—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Grunsell, Andrew	Ladd, Truman Waters	Wolters, August—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Conrad, John	Dillon, John Nelson	Ring, Henry—3.
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PILOT HILL LODGE, No. 160.

Pilot Hill, El Dorado County.

*Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Charles Henry Jones, <i>Master</i> ,	John Bishop, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thatcher Tounzon Lovejoy, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Wallace Boardman Plumb, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Nicholas Snider, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Noah Beals Houston, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Loriston Hale Lovejoy, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Norman Elias Scofield, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Alcander John Bayley, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thomas Stevenson, }
Francis Benjamin Peacock, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

John Bishop,
Charles Henry Jones,

William Hardin Matherly,

Ernest Mortensen.

MASTER MASONS :

Blue, Samuel Stout
Clark, David Ditch
Clow, Stephen Carlton
Comfort, Aaron R.

Carney, Smith
Dobbas, Cherubino
Gains, John W.
Jones, Griffith Lewellen

Manning, Munson Wilder
Smith, William Dutra
Stevenson, Jacob Henry
Story, DeWitt Clinton—25.

KEYSTONE LODGE No. 161.

Copperopolis, Calaveras County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Peter Sterling Robertson, <i>Master</i> ,	William Ruffing Dees, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
George Washington Gilmore, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	James Burns McClanahan, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
William Snow, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Conrad Hizer, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Vincenzo Lavilla, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Bernhard Zaiss,
John Manuel Baker, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thos. Montgom'y Clothier, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles Braids, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Barlow Dyer,

Peter Sterling Robertson.

MASTER MASONS :

Bisbee, Wilson Abner	Meador, Joseph Bliss	Parks, Edward
Deeble, Sampson	Millner, John Frederick	Piper, Chas. Wm. McFrederick
Marsan, Peter Christopher	Ottman, Herman	—20.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Klemp, Jacob —1.

HARMONY LODGE, No. 164.

Sierra City, Sierra County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

August Christopher Busch, <i>Master</i> ,	George Scott Black, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Stephen Bigelow, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Williams, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Goodman Rickard, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Schuyler Nind Wilcox, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Alexander Scott, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Jacob Hess, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Henry Lumley Harland, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Gustaf Nelson, }
James Edward Beard, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Honorable Hartwell Bigelow,	James Richard Peacock,	Schuyler Nind Wilcox.
Henry Warner,		

MASTER MASONS:

Banks, John Fairfield	Harland, Francis	Prichard, Elias
Brann, John	Jenkins, Alfred	Tartini, Natale
Clark, Lafayette	Luther, William Thompson	Vucossavich, Elia
Creveling, Elem. Nels. Leek	Mooney, Isaac Thompson	Williams, Robt. David—26.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Cocks, William--1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Murphy, Patrick--1.

WITHDRAWN:

Anderson, Andrew	Gunsolus, William Henry	Pion, Alexander Peter--4.
Anderson, John Nicolai		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Callsen, Thomas--1.

DIED:

Hannah, John--1.

EXCELSIOR LODGE, No. 166.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Wendell Easton, <i>Master</i> ,	John Chase Hall, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Clinton Randall, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Findley Smith, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Thos. Thompson Atkinson, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Frederick Conway Hensley, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Aaron Doud, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Charles Henry Phelps,
David Lambert Thomas, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Theodore Edward Smith, <i>Organist</i> ,
James Crawford Pollock, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,	James Oglesby, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Theodore Edward Smith,	Arpad Haraszthy,	Washington Ayer,
Stewart Menzies,	Alexander Martin,	James Oglesby,
William Adams Stuart,	John Martin Currier,	John Dunbar Creigh.

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, David	Cherry, John Wesley	Edwards, William
Anthony, Edward Taylor	Chester, Frederick	English, Edward
Ashton, William Charles	Cicott, Frank Xavier	Farnsworth, David Locke
Barnhisel, Epenetus	Clark, Seymour Benjamin	Fitzjohn, Alfred
Bates, Marshall Asher	Cofran, George	Fletcher, Samuel John
Belden, Henry Keney	Cohen, Henry Lyon	Fyfe, Robert
Bloomer, John Godfrey	Collie, William Hay	Garfield, John Quincy
Bonestell, James Augustus	Coltart, Mathew Graham	Gay, John Gilmore
Bradbury, Wm. Blackstone	Craig, James	Graham, Monkhouse
Brooks, Thomas Hubbard	Creber, Walter	Greenwald, Frank Julius
Brown, Irason Croner	Cressy, Albert	Gross, Frank Wells
Brown, James Aldrich	Davis, Richard	Hall, Charles Reuben
Bullock, Frank Dyer	Davis, William Henry	Hannigan, Michael Percival
Burns, Benjamin Franklin	Delaney, John Lawrence	Harloe, Marcus
Bryan, Charles Henry	Dore, Benjamin	Harrold, Richard
Buckingham, Aure's Eyn'd	Douglass, George	Heath, Henry Clay
Carroll, James	Douglas, Thomas Francis	Heuer, George C. W.
Carter, Charles Waldo	Edwards, Henry	Hobbs, John Kimb'l Carl'tn

Holmes, Henry	McAlester, Wm. Frederick	Scott, George
Huntoon, Isaac Davenport	McCaffrey, Thomas	Scull, Charles
Hutchinson, William L.	McDonald, Robert	Sharpe, Frank Benjamin
Johnson, John Charles	McLeod, George	Smith, Henry
Kenna, John Jerome	McPherson, John	Solomon, Benjamin
Killip, Jasper Newton	Michelsen, Peter	Speed, Walter R.
Kincaid, John Evans	Miller, Russelas Jackson	Squire, Henry Charles
Kirby, John Timothy	Mix, Lee Williamson	Street, Spencer Boyd
Kitz, Phillip	Moraghan, Michael Bolan	Sumner, Frank William
Kohn, Isaac	Murdock, Geo. Hamilton	Thompson, John Henry
Lardner, Henry Francis	Naunton, George	Trezona, Thomas
Lavery, Joseph Gray	Neff, Charles	Triest, Bernard
Leary, Andrew Jackson	Pearson, Henry Harm	Tyler, John
LeCount, Joseph Palmer	Pike, Alfred Pillsbury	Van Housen, William
Llewellyn, Reese	Plummer, Benj. Lucans	Vollmer, Edward
Long, George Searley	Prag, Martin	Von Gieglinger, Arthur
Lowenberg, Solomon	Quevedo, Francisco	White, John Campbell
Lutgen, Charles Ferdinand	Raun, Edward Theodore	White, Josiah Howe
Lutkey, George	Reddish, Thomas Jackson	Wilson, Brown
Lynas, John Cooke	Rising, Alfred	Wilson, Thomas Kingsbury
Madison, John	Russell, Horatio Haskell	Winfield, Robert
Madison, John Henry	Schwab, Joseph	Wood, William Cohen
May, John A.	Scott, Abel Franklin	Wright, George Thomas

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ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Chretien, John Merry

Hughes, Thomas Albert—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Bates, Dudley Conant
Beyersdorff, Louis

Ghirardelli, Domingo Jr.

Kuhl, George Hans—4.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Blake, Phillip Henry
Johnson, George HenryNormand, Louis Edmond
Stoffer, Thomas Christian

Whitney, George H.—5.

DIED :

Anderson, James

Barney, Thomas Viall,

Tracy, William Frederick—3.

ALAMEDA LODGE, No. 167.

Centreville, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Caleb Scott Haley, *Master*,
 Oliver Lyman Southwick, *Senior Warden*,
 Conrad Prag, *Junior Warden*,
 Mahlon Beach Sturges, *Treasurer*,
 Lorenzo Gordin Yates, *Secretary*,
 Augustus Peyton Anderson, *Chaplain*,

Comfort Haley, *Senior Deacon*,
 Caleb Cook Scott, *Junior Deacon*,
 George William Bond, *Marshal*,
 George Mead Smith, } *Stewards*,
 William Mortimer, }
 James Allen Trefry, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Lorenzo Gordin Yates,
 Samuel Ingersoll Marston,

George Andrew Beebe,

Caleb Scott Haley.

MASTER MASONS :

Beard, John Lyman	Lee, Antonio	Nichols, Enos
Bergman, Nathan	Livingstone, Henry	Niehaus, Edward
Blair, Thomas Henry	Lowrie, John	Overacker, Howard Ignatius
Cushing, Henry	McDavid, Andrew Jackson	Peacock, Geo. Washington
Dixon, Matthew William	McKeown, James	Perry, David
Ellenwood, Benjamin	McLeod, Andrew Jackson	Ryan, Edward
Ellsworth, Henry Goodrich	McLeod, James Monroe	Scott, Alex. Ferguson
Emerson, George	Miller, Charles	Simpson, Ozias Buddington
Fergodo, Emanuel Silvra	Milton, William	Stokes, Frank Richard
Goyette, John	Moore, John Milton	Stuben, Henry
Hirsch, Joseph	Morrison, Perry	Tabbut, Daniel Shepherd
Jeffrey, William	Mullen, John	Tuller, Orlando Prentiss
Laumeister, John Antone	Munch, Charles	Walker, Jared Tuttle—53.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Simpson, George—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Whidden, George Akerman Whidden, William—2.

SAN MATEO LODGE, No. 168.

Redwood City, San Mateo County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Harvey Newton Bishop, <i>Master</i> ,	Wm. Robert Thomas, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Phil'r Perrig'n Chamberlain, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	James Crowe, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Jonathan White, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Elipha George Irwin, <i>Marshal</i> ,
George Winthrop Fox, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Samuel Mitchellmore Cook, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Herman Ambrose Scofield, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Amos Dennis,
	John Poole, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Thomas Wardwell Lathrop,	Phil. Perrigreen Chamberlain,	William Robert Thomas,
Samuel Mitchellmore Cook,	Will Frisbie,	Elipha George Irwin.
Horatio Nelson Nutting,		

MASTER MASONS:

Ames, John	Fay, Alfred	Kirkpatrick, Charles Alex.
Bailey, James S.	Fisher, Leonard	Lawrence, William Henry
Bare, Lyman Samuel	Gillum, Benjamin Tolman	Leary, Dennis Grimes
Bartholomew, Levi	Goodspeed, Isaac Roscoe	McLean, William Henry
Bornstein, Herman	Gordon, Daniel Frank	Murray, Calvin Alonzo
Bornstein, Seigmund	Green, George Wilson	Peers, Alexander
Bradley, John Theodore	Hayes, Benjamin Herrick	Plummer, Frank
Clark, William Albert	Hughes, William	Prebble, Lucius William
Cobb, William Henry	Hull, William Whipple	Rich, John Colby
Cooley, Lester Philip	Hunter, William	Rosenhime, Jacob
Dickerson, Marshall Sheilds	Jaszynsky, Louis	Rumbol, Richard Foyster
Dibble, William H.	Johnson, Amasa Parker	Warren, Albert Thomas
Donnelly, John	Johnston, John	Wilcox, Wilbur Jairus—54.
Falvey, Jeremiah		

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Brittain, Morgan Lewis—1.

RESTORED :

Clark, William Albert Donnelly, John—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Fox, Charles Nelson—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON PAYMENT OF DUES :

Allen, John Morwood Ditmars, Thomas Thompson Moe, Isaac Crogg—4.
 Armstrong, Edm. Meserve

DIED :

Warnken, John—1.

MISSION LODGE, No. 169.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS :

John Wagner, <i>Master,</i>	Edwin H. Black, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
William Benjamin Marshutz, <i>Sen. Warden,</i>	Joseph M. Caldwell, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Joseph Grafton Smith, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Joseph McMath, <i>Marshal,</i>
William Ede, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Charles LeBarron Jones, } <i>Stewards,</i>
James Russell Buscelle, <i>Secretary,</i>	Josiah Nelson,
	Joseph McQuoid, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters :

Jerome Spaulding,	Parlan R. Cunningham,	Adrian Russell Smith,
Elias Rodecker,	Columbus Waterhouse,	Frank Augustus Reynolds,
Fred'k Adelbert Waterhouse,	Palmer Cox,	Albert Frederick Knorp.

MASTER MASONS :

Ames, George Spencer	Carson, Henry Wilson	Gilmore, Archibald Neil
Amos, John	Chapman, Thomas	Graham, John
Atkinson, Geo. Frederick	Cheeseman, Robert Bowen	Hall, Seth Paine
Barker, Henry Larcom	Coffin, Rudolphus William	Hamlin, George
Barnes, William Russell	Connolly, James Edward	Hammit, John Nimrod
Barton, Charles Curtis	Crisman, Chas. Lafayette	Hanlon, Daniel
Baston, Joseph Gardner	Curry, John Eugene	Harmstead, Joseph Beck
Baxter, Matthew	Curtis, John Morrison	Hasty, Alonzo Potter
Bean, Joseph Whidden	Davis, George Eugene	Haws, Elisha
Bestor, Henry Thomas	Diserens, Frederick	Hawks, Richard Hamilton
Black, William	Dodge, Josiah Winslow	Heineberg, Benedict
Blake, Charles Edward	Dorman, Charles Wesley	Hellwig, Carl Fred'k Her. C.
Blakely, Calvin	Dorland, Henry Smith	Henry, John
Blakely, Edwin	Douglass, George Willard	Higgins, Robert
Bradbury, William Thomas	Dow, Cyrus Clinton	Hobkirk, Peter
Bronn, Theo. Arthur Peter	Eyer, William	Hock, Henry
Browning, Jeremiah	Fairfield, Marshall	Howe, Alvin Jared
Bryan, Jacob	Fenton, Edward	Ingraham, John Sturgis
Burnes, Thomas Huntington	Foree, George Haynes	Jones, Edward Thomas
Burt, William James	Foster, Frederick Watson	Jones, John Richard

Kane, John Frederick	Miller, Asa Demmie	Steinle, Henry
Kennedy, James Kely	Miller, George	Steuart, Joseph Archibald
Kelly, Henry	Mills, David Josiah	Stone, James Henry
Keystone, James Wood	Newman, Charles Louis	Sutton, Charles, Jr.
Kinnier, Patrick	Oehne, Frederick	Swain, George, Jr.
Knapp, Albert	Ogden, Benjamin Franklin	Taylor, Martin Van Buren
Knowlton, Ebenezer	O'Hara, James Daniel	Thomas, Calvin Cerry
Kremple, Francis James	Patten, Henry	Thomas, Joel Louzell
Lampe, Theodore Charles	Patton, Thomas	Thomas, William Henry
Latham, James,	Periam, Charles James	Thompson, Thornton
Lanson, Enoch	Pickles, Edmund	Tippetts, George Frederick
Leatham, Charles	Popp, Herman	Tressler, George
Leavy, Lachman Abraham	Potter, Henry	Tucker, Edward Warren
Little, George Harknes	Prince, Henry Gilman	Tuttle, Thomas Jefferson
Lyons, Seely Baker	Purinton, Byron	Twitchell, William Lander
Magee, John Alexander, Jr.	Purinton, William Rollin	Valentine, John
Magilton, Thomas	Quint, George Washington	Van Shaack, William
Mara, Michael Reed	Roberts, Ellis	Vigoreux, Augustus Wm.
McAleer, Edward Charles	Robinson, Henry Scott	Wacker, Charles Frederick
McCall, William	Rutherford, Francis Aug.	Waddington, Jabez
McDonald, Benjamin L.	Sauerland, Lewis	Walter, Thomas Cook
McDonald, Ronald	Scheel, Heinrich	Wang, Sigfried Charles
McGill, Joseph	Schmid, Wilhelm	Watson, John Bradley
McLay, George Binney	Scott, Edwin George	Wesson, Joseph William
McLean, Andrew Norman	Seares, David Sherman	Whigham, William
McNicoll, Andrew	Shanabrook, Isaac L.	Wiley, Isaac
McPhun, William, Jr.	Shapard, Louis J.	Williamson, Charles
Mead, Lewis Risdon	Shaw, Oliver Bradbury	Wood, John
Meldrum, Charles Kilham	Sheffield, Charles Perkins	Woodward, Arthur Sedley
Mesh, Fritz Johan	Smith, Charles Henry	Worth, Wm. Henry—172.
Miller, Abram Isaac	Spear, Alexander Fulton	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Mahler, Martin—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Herbert, Richard Henry

Wood, Luther White—2.

RESTORED:

Curry, John Eugene

Hanlon, Daniel—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Chittenden, Charles Redfield—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bell, Samuel Levi

Kinney, Robert Simeon

Walker, Seth—4.

Craig, Henry Jones

ELK GROVE LODGE, No. 173.

Elk Grove, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Evander Berry Willis, <i>Master</i> ,	William Ladd Willis, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Hiram Abiff Smith, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Cottle Jones, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Cyrus Brackett Kennard, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Isaac F. Freeman, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Obadiah Schenck Freeman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Taverner, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Richard Allin, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Nicholas Christophel, }
Edward Irwin Byington, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Thomas McConnell,

Richard Allin,

Obadiah Schenck Freeman.

MASTER MASONS :

Andrews, John Nichols

Elder, James Andrew

Richards, John

Beckley, Pyrine Ripley

Herbert, Louis

Simons, Ezra

Belcher, John Morton

Iler, George Henry

Stevens, Andrew

Brown, Richard John

Martin, George Isaac

Stewart, Norman Ives

Carr, Arthur John

Mitchell, William

Street, Seth

Colton, Darwin

Patton, John William

Westlake, Richard

Cotter, Thomas

Perrin, Edward Russell

Wright, Ralph—35.

Davis, Morrow Henry

Pugh, Louis Monroe

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Ray, John—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Allcorn, James Madison—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Allen, Charles St. Clare

Jeffries, Francis Marion

Maholm, James Bowland—3.

DRYTOWN LODGE, No. 174.**Drytown, Amador County.***Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**Julio Ambrose Gessler, *Master,*Richard Summers Hinkson, *Senior Deacon,*William Tippet, *Senior Warden,*Russel Brace Daniels, *Junior Deacon,*Edward Vaughn, *Junior Warden,*Calder Hammond Misner, *Marshal,*William Abraham Norman, *Treasurer,*Nelson Cicero Hinkson, } *Stewards,*William Jennings, *Secretary,*

Thompson Davis, }

Henry Burchel, *Tyler.***Past Masters :**

John Milton Hinkson,

Henry Burchel,

William Abraham Norman.

Richard Summers Hinkson,

MASTER MASONS:

Armsden, Josiah

Hink, Louis

Rhodes, Samuel Boone

Benjamin, John Evan

Hinkson, Milton Adams

Schairer, Frederick

Brown, William

Huse, Samuel Emmerson

Tippet, James Richard

Caldwell, Crawford

Jones, William Thomas

Vaughan, Absalom McCarty

Ferretti, Bartolomo

Kline, George

Worley, Daniel—29.

Gilmore, Robert McCallum

Patton, Thomas

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Lagomarsino, Lazzaro—1.

ANTIOCH LODGE, No. 175.

Antioch, Contra Costa County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Francis Williams, <i>Master</i> ,	John Conlin O'Brien, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
David Patrick Mahan, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Frederick Wilkening, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Thomas Oden, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Nathaniel Austin Tyler, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Manuel Casada Parkison, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Walter Nellis, }
William Riddle Forman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Gibson Chase, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Francis Williams,	Manuel Casada Parkison,	Thomas Orlando Carter.
Roswell Butler Hard,		

MASTER MASONS :

Baker, Ferdinand Marshall	Hackler, John Pleasant	Stamm, Ferdinand
Beaizley, Theophilus	Hamilton, James Weir	Thomas, Evan
Carey, John Elias Wager	Hammond, Thomas	Toors, Jacobus
Carey, Joseph Fletcher	Jacobs, Morris Harris	Tunnock, Andrew
Charnock, Richard	Jewett, Henry	Veal, Richard Rowe
Cody, Matthew	Larsen, Lars Johan	Wall, George
Copeland, George	Levy, Mark Sylvester	Williams, David Edward
Davis, Alexander Campbell	Lobree, Isaac	Williams, Joseph Edward
Evans, James Jones	Manson, William	Wingate, Robert
Evans, James Thomas	Morgans, Morgan	Wright, George Creighton
Gallagher, Henry Clay	Neustadter, Bernhard	Yets, Richard—47.
Girvan, William	Siggins, Isaac	

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Luppa, Charles Walsh, Martin—2.

RESTORED :

Carey, Joseph Fletcher—1.

DIED :

Carey, Martin Lafayette

Jessup, Stephen—2.

MERCED LODGE, No. 176.

Snelling, Merced County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Mark Howell, <i>Master</i> ,	Lewis Madison Gillham, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Leland Means, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Hoskins, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Lewis Sillman, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Benjamin Franklin Fowler, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Louis Goldman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William John Hart, }
Gilbert Bodine Neighbor, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Peter Shaver, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Elbridge Gerry Rector,	Benjamin Franklin Howell,	Adolph Israel Simon.
Mark Howell,	William John Hart,	

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, Henry Clay	Mack, James Dean	Thompson, Fred'c Nissen
Blair, Charles Macmurdo	March, Silas	Thurman, William Henry
Breen, Nicholas	Mayers, Willis	Turner, William Henry
Coats, William Lafayette	McSwain, Alex. Campbell	Weed, William Seaman
Delashmutt, Basil	Meany, Anthony James	Wigginton, Peter Dinwiddie
Dickinson, Samuel	Peck, Frank	Wyatt, Mark—33.
Jacobs, Isaac Henry	Simon, Ephraim Israel	

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Burns, Lionel Guy	Delong, Charles Elgin	Ellis, Armistead Turner—3.
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RESTORED:

Chapman, Charles Abner—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Chapman, Charles Abner—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Talley, Absalom Blythe—1.

DIED:

Ahern, Bartholomew—1.

AZTLAN LODGE, No. 177.

Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona Territory.

Stated Meetings, last Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Alvin Stuart Haskell, <i>Master</i> ,	Noah C. Shekles, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Julius M. P. F. Rodenburg, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	George Edwin Berry, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Malcolm Duncan Campbell, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Thomas Simpson Ruff, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Edward Joseph Cook, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Louis Dugas,
William Needham Kelly, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George John Wickler,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Joseph Ehle, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

John Tabor Alsap,	Hezekiah Brooks,	Geo. Demetrius Kendall,
Thomas Cordis,	Cotesworth Pinckney Head,	Geo. Whitfield Curtis.
Allen Cullumber,	George Lount,	

MASTER MASONS:

Akers, John Benjamin	Goldwater, Michael	Peoples, Abner Harlow
Alexander, Henry M.	Goldwater, Morris	Pierce, Nathaniel Parda
Alters, Lewis Jacob	Gough, James William	Pierce, Stephen Zed
Block, Barrack	Griffin, Norman Lee	Rees, John
Bowers, Edward Franklin	Grubb, George	Schroeder, Charles
Breon, Paul	Hance, George Washington	Senteney, Francis Marion
Breon, Stephen	Hargrave, Joseph Priestly	Shaw, Francis A.
Brower, George Norman	Hathaway, Guilford	Sullivan, Jeremiah William
Butler, Thomas Jefferson	Hendrickson, Geo. Breed	Thomas, Reuben Sherman
Cory, William	Higgins, Wilbur Fisk	Thompson, Edmund Francis
Davis, James Wilson	Miller, Samuel Carron	Thompson, Peter
Elliott, Richard Emerson	Marion, John Huguenot	Vickers, John
Farrington, Rufus Elias	Mitchell, John Edwin Gray	Walker, Joseph Rutherford
Foster, Micah	Monihon, James Davison	Weber, Otto
Foy, James	Moore, Andrew Jackson	Wells, Edmund William
Funk, John	Mullen, Patrick	Williscraft, Wm. Hamilton
Garside, Robert	Noyes, Albert Osgood	Wisdom, Andrew Thomas
Ganz, Emil	Partridge, William	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Burk, Thomas—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Bigelow, Henry Augustus
Lawall, AugustSalt, John Henry
Spaulding, Henry

Webster, John M.—5.

WITHDRAWN:

Dare, John T.

Mushaweck, Clemens

Southworth, Will D.—3.

DIED:

Manning, Frederick Leander—1.

PHŒNIX LODGE, No. 178.

San Bernardino, San Bernardino County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

John Caleb King, *Master*,George Lord, *Senior Warden*,Daniel William Brooks, *Junior Warden*,Lewis Jacobs, *Treasurer*,Isaac Hershel Levy, *Secretary*,Richard Benjamin Jones, *Senior Deacon*,Joseph Brown, *Junior Deacon*,Scipio Craig, *Marshal*,

Morris Rittler,

David Lehigh Aldridge, } *Stewards*,Wolf Fleischer, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

James Alexander Rousseau,

Horace Cowen Rolfe,

Isaac Hershel Levy,

Isaac Raphael Brunn,

George Lord,

John Caleb King,

Jeremiah Drake Ousterhout.

MASTER MASONS:

Andreson, John

Ball, Hezekiah Wright

Bergman, Jacob

Bledsoe, Howard

Bright, Joseph Shannon

Campsie, William

Caro, Lewis

Chute, Austin Sirphronus

Clarke, Horace

Curtis, William Jesse

Davis, Edward James

Dumont, Henry

Folks, Samuel

Garner, Moses B.

Goldbaum, Lewis

Goldberg, Hyman

Gray, Henry Julius Evelyn

Henderson, Wm. McDonald

Hicks, George Hicks

Holden, John Alexander

Holmes, Albert Osborne

Hughes, Joseph Harrison

Hunt, Charles Emil

Huston, Daniel Townsend

Katz, Marcus

Knox, John Thompson

Kurtz, Christian

Lawrence, Charles Marshall

Lindsley, Samuel Goodwin

Linville, William Jamieson

Livingston, Joseph Bell

MacFarlane, Thomas Louis

Mathews, Benj. Franklin

Moore, Mathew

Morgan, Josiah Wheeler

Morgan, Samuel Colvin

Packard, Charles Edward

Peacock, James Corbett

Poppett, Robert

Roc, Charles Fowler

Russell, Prior Smallwood

Satterwhite, John Wood'd

Suverkrup, Henry

Taggart, James Henry

Talmadge, Francis Lebanon

Tyler, Uriah Urbane

Waters, Byron Brewster

Winkler, August—63.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Clark, Hiram

Haile, Smith Cook

Lewis, Lewis—3.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Slaughter, Fenton Mercer—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Fox, William Randolph
Law, Willard James

Marks, Joseph

Parton, Huse Owen—4.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Jackson, Simon
Jewell, Lucien Benoni
McCoy, William Wesley

Noble, Newton
Paris, Andrew Bayley

Waite, Sidney Payne
Willis, Henry Montague—7.

DIED :

Sawyer, Joseph Sturgis—1.

MENDOCINO LODGE, No. 179.

Mendocino, Mendocino County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Francis Edward Warren, <i>Master</i> ,	John Peter Lindberg, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James McCroden, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Frederick Halling, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Wm. Andrew McCormack, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	William Valentine, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Thomas Lord, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Neil McDonald,
Benjamin Almon Paddleford, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Samuel McPhee,
	August Frading, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Alfred Smith Nelson,	Benjamin Almon Paddleford,	Francis Edward Warren.
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MASTER MASONS :

Bailey, William Jeness	Hazeltine, Martin M.	McLeod, Robert
Byrnes, John	Heeser, William	Miller, William Edgar
Chamberlain, Wm. Wilson	Hoak, Newman Ervine	Mills, John Thomas
Christianson, John Charles	Huff, Charles Edward	Nelson, James
Coombes, Richard Gibson	Hutchings, Winslow	Packard, Charles Oscar
Coombes, Silas	Jarvis, Henry Herbert	Peterson, Thomas Henry
Corrigan, James	Johnson, James Edward	Reilly, James Edward
Dollard, Thomas	Kelly, William Henry	Rushing, Enoch Deason
Doyle, James	Kleinsmith, Hermann	Sander, George Henry
Ekroth, John Henry	McCallum, Alexander	Smith, Martin Thomas
Findeison, Charles	McDonald, John	Testteller, Jacob Anderson
Foye, Henry Malcolm	McDonald, John Kenneth	Thompson, Alexander
Faser, James William	McKay, Alexander	Tibbetts, Otis Nelson
Griffin, James	McKay, Andrew	Waddle, Joseph
Hagenmeyer, Gebhard	McLeod, Andrew	Woodruff, Chester—58.
Hanson, Hans		

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

McKay, Angus—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Nichols, James Franklin—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Rice, Louis—1.

DIED :

Schiller, August Theodor Sigismund (F. C.)—1.

ARCTURUS LODGE, No. 180.

Petaluma, Sonoma County.

*Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Marcus Dyatheka Goshen, <i>Master</i> ,	Thomas Robert Jacobs, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John William McClymonds, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	William Samuel Keays, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Miles Henry Falkner, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Louis Tomasini, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Joseph Martin Bowles, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alexander Lackey, }
Josiah Hor Crane, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Grant Hanna, }
} <i>Stewards</i> ,	
John Schwartz, (of <i>Petaluma</i> , Lodge, No. 77,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Benjamin Franklin Tuttle,	James Singley,	Noah William Scudder.
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MASTER MASONS:

Baur, John	Himebauch, Joseph	Mills, William Andrew
Bean, Ashael Adams	Heineken, Herman Albert	Overton, Albert Perry
Bernhard, Isaac	Humphries, Charles	Poehlman, Conrad
Bowers, Alfonso Benjamin	Jewett, George Enoch	Polk, Charles Ephraim
Brainard, Henry Paine	Kahn, Achille	Reynolds, Edwin
Brooks, Sylvester	Kookon, John Anderson	Safford, James Billings
Cameron, James	Lane, Alpheus Wilbur	Shearer, John
Christie, John Boyd	Latapie, Edward	Stieger, Peter Joseph
Dalton, William Harper	Lee, Egbert Phelps	Taft, Henry Clay
Dinwiddie, Jas. Lockridge	Light, Elisha	Tempel, Conrad
Dodge, Horace Francis	Lynch, Henry Ainsworth	Tomasini, Juliano
Doughty, Abner Randolph	Manvill, Geo. Washington	Tomasini, Mateo
Dreyfuss, Edward	Markwell, Henry Booth	Tucker, William Mason
Faith, George	Marsh, Randolph County	Van Doren, John Suydam
Giacomini, Natale	McGuire, Thomas	Wakefield, Orin Lewis
Gunning, Wm. Crawford	McLaren, John Cameron	Wands, James
Grover, Benjamin Percy	McLaren, William Duncan	Weston, Henry Little
Hasbrouck, Hiram Brown	McNear, Franklin Ellis	Zook, Francis Kurtz—69.
Haskell, William Barnabas	Merritt, John	

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Adams, John Quincy	McLaren, Colin Cameron—2.
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WITHDRAWN:

Clouett, Henry Felix	Oliver, Amery Gale—2.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Glenn, Robert	Hall, Charles Hill	Noble, Jesse Wadkins—3.
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RUSSIAN RIVER LODGE, No. 181.

Windsor, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

George Henry Kennedy, <i>Master</i> ,	Benjamin Clark, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas McQuiston, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Andrew Jackson Hembree, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Jackson Pool, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Harvey Cowan, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Mack Laughlin, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Shuler, }
Jasper James Lindsay, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James William Graham, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Edwin Harrison Barnes,	Charles McDouall,	Thomas Jamison Barnes.
Benjamin Clark,	Thomas McQuiston,	

MASTER MASONS:

Ambrose, John Nichols	Johnson, Sir John	Ridenghour, Lewis William
Bohn, Frederick	Kennedy, Charles William	Rosenberg, Myer Joseph
Briggs, Frank	Kennedy, James	Sagar, Samuel Christon
Briggs, Hiram	Laughlin, James H.	Shaw, David Henry
Caldwell, Charles Young	Legg, Amos	Shepherd, Alexander
Calhoun, John Washington	Maddux, Lorenzo Dow	Smith, Isaac Preston
Campbell, James Absalom	Mather, John	Steadman, Amos Daniel
Clark, Charles	Mathews, John	Thompson, John Davidson
Clark, Robert Masalon	McDouall, George	Thompson, John Morrow
Florence, Marshall	McKelvy, Lewis	Williams, George Finley
Gains, William Crockett	Mitchell, Robert Thomas	Yates, John William
Hewlett, Edmond Palmer	Norris, Elias	Yates, Thomas Miller—50.
Hoffer, Charles Augustus		

WITHDRAWN:

Bell, Bradford	Howell, Francis Newton	Maddux, John Parker—5.
Elliot, William Ross	Lindsay, Calvin	

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Billington, Albert Elias	Kent, Alexander John	Myers, Dillon Preston—3.
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MERIDIAN LODGE No. 182.

Meridian, Sutter County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Oliver Perry Burgett, <i>Master</i> ,	William Doty, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Daniel Joseph Brooks, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Abram Hedding Mitchell, <i>Junior Deacon</i>
Jasper Newton Decker, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Henry Burgett, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Alfred Sax Moon, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Walter Davis, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Henry Joseph Godfrey, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Thomas Perkins, }
Simeon Tyler Davis, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Jonas Jones, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Henry Burgett,	Oliver Perry Burgett.
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MASTER MASONS:

Blanchard, George Newton	O'Neil, James	Williams, Stephen Lilly
Comer, John	Peck, William Francis	Wood, Ira Halstead
Clapp, John Strachan	Summy, Leonidas	Wood, Job Kettle
Johnston, John Marion	Wilbur, William Willis	Wooley, Charles—25.
Moon, Richard Albert		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Harris, Andrew Jackson—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Brockman, John Henry	Ogden, William	Winship, Isaac Augustus—5.
Dixon, Martin Van Buren	Simmons, Jonathan	

RESTORED:

Davis, Simeon Tyler—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Hungerford, Michael Coryell—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Titus, Frank Henry

Tolson, William D.—2.

CLEAR LAKE LODGE, No. 183.

Lower Lake, Lake County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Ralph Kennislow Nichols, <i>Master</i> ,	Henry Harrison Wilson, <i>Secretary</i> ,
Sam'l Hawthorn Thompson, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Solomon Getz, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Washington Howard, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Francis Marion Herndon, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Leslie Phineas Nichols, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Lorenzo Castellan, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

James Washington Howard, Henry Harrison Wilson, Wm. Harrison Cunningham.

MASTER MASONS:

Aspern, John Von	Hanson, Daniel Apperson	Noel, Alonzo Emmerson
Brown, Harris	Hanson, David Marcus	Shaub, Conrad
Crane, Collins	Hanson, George Major	Smith, William H.
Crigler, John Christopher	Hendricks, Joel Dickson	Smythe, James Luther
Delmont, Francois	Hogan, William Mars	Snow, George Horace
Getz, Marcus	Hughes, Henry	Snow, William S.
Gruwell, Laban Harding	Kennedy, Firam	Stubbs, Charles
Hagans, Edwin Bruce	Linck, Charles Frederick	Ward, Gerald E.—35.
Hagans, William Andrew	McIntire, Charles	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Levy, Morris—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Ash, Robert Charles George—1.

SIERRA VALLEY LODGE, No. 184.

Sierraville, Sierra County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

William Cromwell Lemmon, <i>Master</i> ,	Thomas Lebroke, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Francis Marion Rowland, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Edmund Danforth, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Andrew Joshua Flint, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	George Parcher Haines, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Albert S. Nichols, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Jarad Strang,
George Wood, <i>Secretary</i> ,	David B. Patterson,
	Asa Hiestand, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Edgar Haun,	Edmund Higgins Hamlin,	Wm. Cromwell Lemmon.
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MASTER MASONS:

Arms, William	Fisher, Simon	Loudon, Robert
Campbell, Francis Henry	Garfield, Levi Smith	McConnell, Edwin
Campbell, John	Hamilton, William Thomas	Rawdon, William Babcock.
Case, Eliphalet Lewis	Hubbard, Wilbur Fisk	Richardson, Elijah Allen
Chandler, Russell Hunter	Huyck, Richard Asa	Smith, Martin Van Buren
Chandler, William Henry	Keyes, David Bigelow	Toomy, John Shriver
Dolley, Linus	Koster, John Peter	Vandever, Simon Vedder
Dolley, Otis Byron		—35..

FELLOW CRAFT:

Leonard, Jewett G.—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Wilkerson, Jacob—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Adams, John Charles	Huyck, William H.	Wyckoff, Cyrus Beers—3.
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DIED:

Scott, James Millage—1.

CLAIBORNE LODGE, No. 185.

Punta Arenas, Mendocino County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Rodolphus Dexter Handy, <i>Master</i> ,	Aaron Chalfant, <i>Secretary</i> ,
Julius Buel Micah Warren, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Soren Iversen, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Underhill, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Arnold Reynolds, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Stephen Wilson Randolph, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Jacob Hamilton Griffiths, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Niels Iversen,	Rodolphus Dexter Handy,	James Arnold Reynolds.
Aaron Chalfant,	George Sheppard Spaulding,	

MASTER MASONS:

Bourn, Morton	Horgan, William	Nelson, Henry
Bowman, Alfred	Jespersen, Jesper Worren	Newfield, Aaron
Cummings, James	Leighton, Isaac Hersey	Phelps, Forestos Percival
Cureton, John Wesley	Lyman, Charles	Scrutton, Robert
Davis, George Worrell	Meloney, Samuel Jackson	Wade, Sylvanus Raynor—26.
Graham, Washington		

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Johnston, William Thomas	Spencer, David Louk	Whelpton, Charles—3.
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RESTORED:

Cummings, James—1.

EXPELLED:

Miner, Julius Verton—1.

EVENING STAR LODGE, No. 186.

Etna, Siskiyou County.

Stated Meetings, fourth Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Martin Marx, <i>Master</i> ,	James Alden Diggles, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Kise Doney, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Orsen Valentine Green, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Horace Wellington Sullivan, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Josiah Doll, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Wallace McBride, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Jeremiah Davidson, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
Abisha Swain, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Hans Hansen, }
	Jacob Messner, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Master:

Abisha Swain.

MASTER MASONS:

Able, James	Hughes, John Striker	Reed, John Smith
Amos, Thomas	Hughes, Lewis	Redemeyer, Christ'n Fred'k
Andrews, Hugh Blythe	Kean, James Eugene	Reinfeld, William Henry
Baird, Charles	Laird, William Thomas	Rostetter, George
Bridger, Henry	Loring, Frederick Hayden	Smith, George
Daggett, John	Messner, John Martin	Taylor, Robert Pey
Durand, George	Morgan, William Henry	Tonkin, James Bryant
Fairchild, John Price	Parker, Alexander	Wallis, Albert
Grant, John	Poullot, Edward	Wasmuth, Philip William
Hall, Elisha Henry	Radford, William Arundel	Watkins, Charles William
Hall, Harvey King	Rainey, James	—43.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Geney, Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Shaw, David Henry—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Blackburn, James Whittaker	Doten, John Smith	Farrington, Stephen—4.
Davis, Charles Henry		

KEITH LODGE, No. 187.

Gilroy, Santa Clara County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Henry Conrad Warner, <i>Master</i> ,	Malcolm Mount, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Michael Einfalt, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Calvin Woods, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Jacob Reither, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Albert Warthen, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Adam Riehl, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Seaman,
Ashbel Green Hinman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George H. F. Hagerman, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles Curtis Beal, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

John Mathew Keith,	John Michael Einfalt,	William Henry Haydock.
Henry Waterhouse Briggs,		

MASTER MASONS:

Babb, Silas Grotan	Gunzendorfer, Ferdinand	Rea, James William
Bennett, George Edmen	Harrison, John Eubank	Rea, Samuel
Bruen, John Hedden	Headen, George Thomas	Reeve, Henry Francis
Burgess, Levi	House, Joseph Anderson	Schlesinger, Nathan
Bryant, Edwin Jackson	Howard, Volney	Stayton, Robert Glover
Cameron, Alex. Duncan	Hunter, Marshal Emory	Thomas, Thomas Reynolds
Christie, Lorenzo Monson	Jones, Hugh Stevenson	Thysen, Peter Hanson
Cole, Amos Granger	Knight, John March	Tryon, Ambrose Bruen
Comins, Cooper	Loupe, Samuel	Tully, Pleasant Britqn
Dannenbaum, Joseph	Martin, John Campbell	Turner, James Heaton
Darrough, Thomas	McDuffee, Henry Lynn	Vaughan, George
Doolittle, Ira Ripley	Morey, Harvey Chapin	Weymouth, James Lambert
Eames, William	Morris, John	Wolfrom, Adam
Farley, Charles Kean	Mulreed, Thomas	Wright, James
Farmer, Edward Henry	Murdock, John	Wright, William Walter
Fish, Prosper William	Phelan, Martin	Wyatt, Oliver Perry—63.
Guibal, Eugene		

WITHDRAWN:

Alexander, George Edmund	Lambert, John Robert	Woolsey, John Summers—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Oldham, Thomas Spencer—1.

OAKLAND LODGE, No. 188.

Oakland, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, first Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Jesse Walton, <i>Master</i> ,	Alvah Kittredge Clark, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Nathan Benedict Hoyt, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Alfred Septimas Baker, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Francis O'Beirne, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Addison Walter, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Charles Boardman Rutherford, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Edward Child, }
James Edward Ingols, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Joseph Black, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Laurentine Hamilton, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	James Dods, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Nathan Weston Spaulding,	John Barton Harden,	William Washington Fowler,
Walter Van Dyke,	William James Gurnett,	Rollin Carolus Gaskill,
John Macklin Miner,	James Dods,	William Ely Boone,
Enoch Homer Pardee,	William Addison Walter,	James Johnson Porter.

MASTER MASONS :

Abbott, Henry	Doherty, John	Leet, Samuel Thompson
Adams, John Smalley	Dornin, George Dally	Lillienrantz, August
Allardt, George Frederick	Dusenbury, Myron Thomp'n	Loring, George York
Antisell, Thomas Murphy	Dwinelle, John Whipple	Mather, Solon Henry
Arnold, Thomas Jefferson	Eadon, William Henry	McGillivray, Joseph
Ayers, Charles Wesley	Eastland, Van Leer	McPherson, George Ferby
Banks, Charles Wells	Eitel, Charles Henry	McWattie, Thomas
Batchelder, James	Emery, Joseph Stickney	Meredith, Griffith
Bartlett, Pliny	Evans, Charles West	Metcalf, George Dickson
Bartling, William	Everson, Wallace	Miller, Robert Baird
Bechdel, Nelson Ashley	Foulkes, James Franklin	Miller, William Henry
Benton, John Elliott	Fuller, Frederick Odiorne	Miller, William Noble
Blethen, James Edward	Goodrich, John Van Buren	Montanya, Matlew De La
Bones, Samuel West	Gordon, Jos. Smith Gilman	Moore, Armstrong Porter
Bouton, William Slauson	Graham, William Morrow	Muscat, Phillip William
Bradford, Alonzo Sylvester	Greenhood, Jacob	Nelle, William
Bradley, John Tilford	Greenman, Harmon	Noblett, Robert
Brower, Angelo Bounarita	Haines, Ellis Asbury	Odell, Charles Eugene
Bruce, Samuel James	Harmon, John Brown	Palmer, Cassius Clay
Bryant, Daniel Sharp	Harwood, William Douglass	Parkinson, William Henry
Burleson, Charles Myron	Harris, Edwin	Pasmore, Edward James
Burnham, Ozro Hill	Hayes, Charles Drinkwater	Perrine, William Danforth
Burpee, Joseph Solomon	Hays, Patrick	Pett, David
Burrell, Alfred William	Healy, Jesse	Pierson, George
Campbell, Morris S.	Herrick, Samuel Wain	Pinkerton, Thomas Hamill
Camron, William Walker	Hill, James Terrell	Powers, Daniel Nicholas
Cassidy, John	Hill, John	Pratt, Daniel Webster
Chamberlain, Philo Bradford	Hoagland, William Cox	Puett, James M.
Chapman, Lemuel Gulliver	Hoffman, Charles Frederic	Railton, Edward Mills
Clinkingbeard, Kinsea Stone	Holland, Daniel Denny	Rand, David Harraman
Cochran, Irad	Hopkins, Caspar Thomas	Ranlett, Horace Dodge
Collins, Albert William	Howell, Peter Suthpen	Rector, James Ludwell
Collins, David Edward	Huston, Robert Guthrie	Reichling, Francis
Collins, George Henry	Ingersoll, William Bowker	Remillard, Peter Nicholas
Collins, John Stevenson	Jewell, Martin Curtis	Rice, Charles Hybolite
Cook, John	Johnson, Perry	Rodolph, Francis Bequette
Craib, William	Jones, Charles Henry	Rollins, Holman Caleb
Craven, Harry Smith	Kercheval, John Hereford	Rosenberg, Nathan
Crawford, John William	Kilbourn, Walter Loveland	Schneider, August John
Crellin, John	Kipps, Alfred Kemble	Searing, William Smith
Cushing, Clinton	Knowles, Calvin Call	Sessions, Edward Cathcart
Cushing, John	Knowles, Samuel Edward	Shakespear, David
Dalziel, James	Koenig, Louis Arnold	Sherman, George Edward
Dalziel, Robert	La Grange, Oscar Hugh	Shorey, Albert
Davis, Charles Edmund	Laidlaw, Alexander	Skinner, Isaac Ash
Davis, Edmund Smith	Laidlaw, Walter	Smith, John Frederick
Doe, Luke	Lathrop, Solomon	Smith, William Henry

Stevens, Andrew Jackson	Walker, Lysander	Wetmore, Edward Lewis
Stilwell, Bishop Franklin	Walker, Wilber	Wharton, John Richard
Taggart, Grantham Israel	Wangerin, Joseph David	Whedon, James Thomas
Tibbals, John Sherman	Ward, Robert	Wheeler, Osgood Church
Trogden, Wiley Henderson	Watson, John Braddock	White, Sylvanus
Twombly, Charles Henry	Watson, William Callaghan	Whitney, George Edwin
Upton, Mylon William	Webber, Mack	Williams, Charles Spooner
Van Wyck, John Charles	Webster, Edgar Jerome	Williams, Robert Neal
Vogt, David	Wells, Moses Taggart	Wilson, William
Walker, Jonas Moulton	Westcott, Edward Willson	Wolf, John William—193.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Allen, Benjamin Budlong	Collins, Albert Frank	Kellogg, Sheldon Ingalls Jr.
Berry, Wm. Octavius Merrill	Flint, Elijah Train	—5.

RESTORED :

Brower, Angelo Bounarita	Geary, Edward B.	Page, Samuel Lester—4.
Cronin, Daniel		

WITHDRAWN :

Ball, Charles Henry	Deives, Joseph Peter	Partridge, Abram
Black, George	Folger, James Athearn	Page, Samuel Lester
Braun, Chas. Henri Fred'k	Geary, Edward B.	Redington, Charles Henry
Browne, Spencer Cochrane	Hawckett, Arthur Welling'n	Snook, William Sayre
Cronin, Daniel	Hollywood, Joseph	Trefethen, Eugene Augustus
Cutting, James Ripley	Lawler, James Joseph	—17.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Daugherty, Littleberry Napoleon—1.

EXPELLED :

Pinney, George M.—1.

DIED :

Felton, John Brook Whelan, Alanson—2.

LATROBE LODGE, No. 189.

Latrobe, El Dorado County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

William Woodward, <i>Master</i> ,	Hiram Emmet Barton, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Josiah Russell Barrett, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Woodward, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Harrison Miller, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Thomas Porter, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Ernest Treuholtz, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Heman Dany Barton, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
Emory Watkins, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Timothy Guy Barton, }
James Burris, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

William Erwin Riebsam,	Arthur Edmund Hill,	Calvin William Duden.
Benjamin Norton Bugbey,		

MASTER MASONS :

Adams, Emanuel	Edwards, Charles Ward	Miller, John Sanford
Clinch, Conrad	Fleming, Thomas Robert	Penter, George Washington
Dodson, Marcus Hulin	Kay, Samuel	Showers, William—24.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Jewell, Abraham B.—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Wilson, J. N.—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Hanson, Martin

Kirkland, William—2.

NORTHERN LIGHT LODGE, No. 190.**Millville, Shasta County.***Stated Meetings, second Saturday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

James Levin Nichols, <i>Master,</i>	Herman August Lippoldt, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
James Fletcher Winsell, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Leonard Timothy Benton, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Joseph Calvin Brown, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Robert Boyes, <i>Marshal,</i>
Henry Anklin, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Augustus Chatham, }
Herman Frederick Ross, <i>Secretary,</i>	Thomas Clark Key, }
	Rufus Franklin Martin, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters :

Herman Frederick Ross,	John Paxton Webb,	James Levin Nichols.
George Washington Jackson,		

MASTER MASONS:

Baker, William Hamilton	Johnson, De Witt Clinton	Smithson, Stenton
Davis, Marvin D.	McCrary, James Franklin	Smithson, James Stenton
Dunham, Joseph Albee	Mitchell, Marshal Alex.	Stevenson, David Chambers
Dunning, Day Hix	Palmer, Frederick Zug	Thatcher, Ezekiel Thomas
Eldred, Stephen James	Penland, George Henry	Wagoner, Erastus
Flansburgh, Alonzo	Powers, Lewis	Williams, Ashael Linn
Green, Charles Henry	Randles, Joseph	Williams, James Robert
Guptill, William Neal	Reinike, Christopher	Williams, William Wallace
Houston, Thomas James	Reynolds, John Edward	Wimmer, James Moses
Hull, Sylvester	Sheridan, Geo. Washington	Wood, William Augustus
Huster, Louis Frederick	Shearin, Daniel Thomas	Woodmansee, Chas. Franklin
Johnson, Henry	Shouse, Isaac	Wright, Henry Hamilton

—49.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Littrell, Eppa Gorden—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Simpson, Thomas Jefferson	Wilkinson, Felix Grundy—2.
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WITHDRAWN :

Allen, Rufus Franklin	Fender, Johnson	McCoy, George Washington—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Benton, John Handsell—1.

MARIN LODGE, No. 191.**San Rafael, Marin County.***Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

John Sims, <i>Master,</i>	George Warren Davis, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Edwin Gardner, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Thomas Washington Parker, <i>Jun. Deacon,</i>
Henry Schlosser, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Peter Kimball Austin, <i>Marshal,</i>
Camille Grosjean, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Robert C. Moore, }
Francis John Jacobs, <i>Secretary,</i>	Edward Nelson, }
	John Bradford Bigelow, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters :

William N. Anderson,
James Monroe Waite,

Charles Stevens,
Thomas Jefferson Bowers,

John Sims.

MASTER MASONS :

Barnard, William Levi
Featty, George Washington
Bidwell, Henry Edward
Bontempe, Guiseppe
Bugbee, Joseph Henry
Bustin, John Peter
Christiesen, James Peter
Claussen, P. Heinrich Cars'n
De Groot, William Henry
Dixheimer, John
Estey, Charles Lowell

Evans, William
Henderson, Frank William
Houghton, Alfred Henry
Kohman, Moritz
Lang, Robert
Layton, James Crozier
Leonard, Albert Edward
Maguire, James Foster
Mullen, James
Olds, Nelson Horatio

Reed, John Joseph
Reynolds, John
Saunders, James
Schroyer, Aaron
Shaver, Isaac
Smith, Peter
Staley, Albert Joseph
Theis, Henry
Thomas, John William
Wood, Edward—46.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Bartlett, Charles E.

Gilde, Valentine—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Butterfield, Harvey Hale
Campbell, Peter

Crandall, Thomas Baldwin
Hanson, Thomas Hawkins

Milchinor, Jonathan—5.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Peach, William Gardner

Rothenberger, Samuel H.—2.

DIED :

Doub, Valentine David

Spangler, William Henry—2.

SANTA BARBARA LODGE, No. 192.

Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Rollin Dunshee, *Master*,
Charles Henry Kelton, *Senior Warden*,
Joseph Addison Rich, *Junior Warden*,
Eli Rundell, *Treasurer*,
Edgar Luzern Paddock, *Secretary*,

John Clarence Forbes, *Senior Deacon*,
Moat Molden Kilgore, *Junior Deacon*,
George Newton Collins, *Marshal*,
Joseph VaHart,
James Orlando Williams, } *Stewards*,

Joseph Meroux, *Tyler*,

Past Masters :

Joseph Addison Rich,
Eugene Fawcett,

John Peck Stearns,

Rollin Dunshee.

MASTER MASONS :

Barker, James Lawrence
Bates, Charles Bell
Boeseke, Albert
Bolinger, Francis
Britzman, Robert
Childs, George Edward
Cook, Mortimer
Cool, Peter Yawger

Crane, Hezekiah Gamber
Daniels, Tomas P.
Dibble, Carmi
Garretson, Joseph Michael
Hanford, Jesse
Harmon, Silas Solon
Horn, Andrew
Hunt, Charles Clifford

Hunt, Richard Orville
Irwin, Isaac N.
Kahn, Moise
Kimberlee, Martin Morse
Linville, Hiram Hunter
Mallorquin, Jose
Norway, William Henry
Ogan, John Higgason

Olmstead, Stephen Hart	Rynerson, Christ. Columbus	Way, William Alonzo
Ord, Robert Bent	Tebbetts, George Parish	Whitaker, David L.
Pettinger, John	Thompson, Frederick	Williams, Alfred Bascom
Porter, Arza	Van Valkenburg, Edgar	Wilson, Albert Calhoun J.
Raffour, Louis	Walker, Frank	Woods, Harloe Delay—52.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Freeman, Charles James—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Foster, Marion S. Lealand, George Walter Winchester, Robert Fulton—3.

WITHDRAWN :

Boon, Henry William Harris, Will F. Marshall, Cyrus—3.

DIED :

Williams, James Franklin—1.

FERNDALE LODGE, No. 193.

Ferndale, Humboldt County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Green Grove Dudley, <i>Master</i> ,	Sylvester Americus Ward, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Elbridge Chamberlin Damon, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	David Anderson Dunlap, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Marion Richardson, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	David Kenada Renfro, }
William Jasper Mason, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Taylor, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Philip Seward Inskip, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Davis Rogers, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Knyphausen Geer,	Plumer Frederick Hart,	John Dew Ferrill.
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MASTER MASONS :

Bailey, David Harrison	Hulburt, Nathaniel	Patrick, Nehemiah
Barber, Gardner Clark	Hunter, Thomas	Pollard, John Thompson
Barry, Charles	Hunter, Walker	Robarts, James Thomas
Boynton, Frank Zouingless	Kemp, John Wellington	Roberts, David Richard
Calkins, Josiah Arnold	Kenyon, Jacob Gardner	Robinson, Thomas Jefferson
Carr, John	King, John Russel	Russ, Joseph
Cassidy, Patrick	Lanigan, Thomas Joseph	Samuels, William
Cook, Charles Sage	McConnell, John Taylor	Schumacher, Gustave Edw'd
Davenport, Joseph A.	McNett, Alexander	Stevens, John Wesley
Doe, Charles Albion	Merritt, Caleb Hill	Stevens, Rufus Willard
Fulmore, Smith	Mills, Orrin	Sweet, George William
Gill, Albin	Miner, Jacob	Weydick, Gerald
Godwin, Absalom	Morrison, Lafayette	Wooldridge, Truman Eugene
Hicks, Edgar Augustus	Morrison, Silas William	Wooldridge, Van Renselaer
Howard, James.	Odell, Alonzo	—57.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Rasmussen, Jacob—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Devinney, James Mark	Hurlburt, Willard	Price, Isaac—4.
Goff, James Henry		

WITHDRAWN :

Cummings, Elliot Carroll	Farrar, Moses Constantine	Loewenthal, Jacob
Dodge, Edward James		—4.

MOUNTAIN VIEW LODGE, No. 194.

Mountain View, Santa Clara County.

*Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Gilbert Edward Shore, <i>Master</i> ,	Robert McGee King, <i>Chaplain</i> ,
Fremont Loveland, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	George Washington Smith, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Milton Graham, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Austin Whitmire, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Henry McCleary, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Snyder,
Eleazer Johnson Young, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Warren Lapier,
	Christian Mayers, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

George Washington Smith,	Gilbert Edward Shore.
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MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, William Austin	Gleason, George DeWitt	Sears, Edwin Bartlett
Apperson, Elbert Clark	Jacobson, Louis	Smith, Nathan Gilmore
Bullard, William	Martin, James Dickason	Town, Peter
Dale, William	Ogera, Michael	Weilheimer, Samuel—24.
Flanders, Orvis Cutler		

WITHDRAWN:

Renfro, Lewis Clark—1

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Bubb, John Patrick	Ladd, Leonard Munich—2.
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BUCKEYE LODGE, No. 195.

Winters, Yolo County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Micajah Oglesby Harling, <i>Master</i> ,	Henry Abraham Hill, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Chelton Goodin, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Newton Franklin Hildebrand, <i>J. Deacon</i> ,
John William Lowry, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Waller Guthrie, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Hiram Major Hoard, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Wesley Hill,
Josiah Lauderdale Seawell, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Jonah Porter Stuart,
	Andrew R. Rice, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Meredith Roper York,	Thomas Waller Guthrie,	John Samuel Tutt,
Elbert Tadlock,	Joseph Clarke Hulse,	Henry Abraham Hill.

MASTER MASONS:

Barrett, John Riston	Brooks, Edward Roe	Corbin, Newell
Bell, William Troup	Butler, Richard Blanton	Dexter, Lorenzo
Blum, Simon	Cain, John Fletcher	Duncan, Toliver Asbury
Bray, Edward Gaines	Campbell, John Calvin	Fisher, Edward
Brock, Tilmon Howard	Canterberry, Law'e Frank'n	Griffin Joseph

Hinckley, Geo. Washington	Larew, William Henry	Tadlock, Rilford General
Holcom, William D.	Latham, Melanc'n Seymour	Terrill, John Roach
Howard, Edw'd Robertson	Marders, Ambrose Robert	Urban, George H.
Howard, Stephen A.	Ray, Fielden	Waughtell, Daniel Houston
Humphrey, Elisha Anderson	Sackett, Buel R.	Whitney, Henry J.
Hunt, Franklin Monroe	Seely, Mack Jay	Wolf, Charles Henry
Ireland, Elias	Sims, William	Wolfskill, Edward
Johnson, Henry Bonaparte	Stephens, Joseph Josiah	Wolfskill, Sarshel Cooper
Larew, Peter		—55.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Douglas, James Sterrett	Powell, Alexander Quaw	Spencer, John Anderson—3.
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WITHDRAWN :

Durgin, Isaac Allen	Smith, Richard Oliver—2.
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EXPELLED :

Lee, James Harvey—1.

DIED :

Johnston, Thomas McConnell—1.

SAN SIMEON LODGE, No. 196.

Cambria, San Luis Obispo County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Russell Parkhurst, <i>Master</i> ,	Ritner Dodson, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Peter Alonysius Forrester, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Oliver Perry McFadden, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Elias Nelson Conway, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Orange Spencer Palmer, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Elliot Marion Cofer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thaddeus Sherman, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles Jay Russell, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Mix Cole, }
William Blair Arbuckle, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Thaddeus Sherman,	John McCormick Whittaker,	James Milton Mannon.
Russell Parkhurst,		

MASTER MASONS :

Blunt, Levi	Eva, John	Minor, Robert Andrew
Byers, Randolph	Frankl, Joseph	Muma, Benjamin Franklin
Campbell, James Day	Hardie, Angus McPherson	Ogden, William
Cole, Edward	Harriman, John Fellows	Vanderhaven, William
Crawford, Daniel Peers	Lull, George Washington	White, Horace Granville
Davis, George Stevens	Maxwell, William Henry	Wright, Daniel Green—31.

FELLOW CRAFTS :

James, Washington Byer	James, Drury Woodson—2.
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ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Davidson, Stephen Morgan—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Wade, Robert D.—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Chesney, John William	Vaughan, Geo. Washington	White, James Smith
Sherman, Eber Charles	Vaughan, James Upton	Wilcox, Charles E.

WILMINGTON LODGE, No. 198.

Wilmington, Los Angeles County.

*Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Omri Bullis, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles George Keyes, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Albert Alex. Polhamus, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Frederick Schweizer, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Bishop Hayes, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Nathan Jacoby, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Edward Nathaniel McDonald, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Millen, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Robert Boyle Warren, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thomas Fraser, }
Henry Clay Bailey, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Abraham Wolf Edelman,	George Hinds,	Nathaniel Andrews Narbonne.
Eldridge Edward Hewitt,		

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, Gabriel	Lamoure, Cooper	Parthesius, Henry
Brown, William Thomas	McCrea, John	Smurr, John Randolph
Bruning, Henry Nicholas	McMillen, David	Weston, Benjamin Stone
Hopkins, Charles Albert	McNaughton, John	Wetzel, Martin
Jacoby, Herman	Monaghan, Francis	Wilson, William James—30.

WITHDRAWN :

Colling, Benjamin

Holmes, James Gilmore—2.

HARTLEY LODGE, No. 199.

Lakeport, Lake County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

John Robert Cook, <i>Master</i> ,	James Parrish, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Woods Crawford, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Leeson Gaskill Simmons, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Louis Charmak, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Frank Downing Tunis, <i>Marshal</i> ,
James Wilson Everett, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Chales Wesley Ingram, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John William Mackall, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Joseph Davis Adams, }
Barton Ogle, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	George Tucker, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Woods Crawford,	James Parrish,	John Robert Cook,
Guy Ross,	David Verno Thompson,	Frank Downing Tunis.
John Chas. Wesley Ingram,		

MASTER MASONS :

Babbitt, Calvin Smith	Crumpton, Hezekiah John	Gwin, Washington
Boone, Jesse Thomas	DeSollar, Henry Cook	Hayter, Thomas Fletcher
Bundy, Thomas	Fraser, John K.	Humphrey, Hiram Abiff
Burger, John Fleming	Greene, William Woods	Jones, Thomas Jefferson
Carson, Lindsey	Greene, Willis Elihu	Jones, William Wallace
Charmak, Herman	Gassman, George	Kelsay, John

League, James N.	McLean, Daniel	Shirley, John Elliott
Levinson, Abram	Morrisson, Thomas Cowen	Sleeper, Moreau
Levy, Aaron	Oliver, Henry Alexander	Snow, Harlow Dickenson
Mast, Charles Leisur	Paul, Elzy Morgan	Staab, Henry Gustav
Mathews, Wright	Purkerson, Lewis William	Tallman, Rufus Calvin
McClintock, Jos. Taurence	Rantz, William Doddridge	Wilson, Solomon C.
McCullough, Robert	Rice, William Isaac	Witer, Dexter—53.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Shirley, James William—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Phillips, James

Taylor, John Henry—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Cooper, Calvin Ashley

Gaby, Daniel

King, Edward Warren—3.

TRUCKEE LODGE, No. 200.

Truckee, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Thomas Maria Bittencourt, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles Henry Barten, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Crawford Richmond, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Michael Luxenburger, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
David Walter Leach, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Josiah Champion, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Frank Rabel, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Wilson Shanon Dixon, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Joseph Marzen, Jr., <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thomas Henry Conniff, }
— — — — —	— — — — —, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

James Henry Hoadley,	Edward John Brickell,	Joseph Marzen, Sr.
Chas. Fayette McGlashen,	Aaron Davis Park,	

MASTER MASONS:

Adolph, Julius	Ellen, Elle	Morrison, William
Bacon, Benjamin Franklin	Frates, Frank	Ogilvie, David
Bailey, John Clifton	Gaylord, Eben Hills	Oleson, Peter
Bennett, Henry	Giffen, George Washington	Parks, Davis Jehu
Boleding, Charles	Graham, Andrew Jackson	Payne, Jeremiah Newton
Brogan, Joseph Bernard	Green, Charles A.	Peel, John James Lafayette
Buckley, John Mason	Hart, Henry Robert	Rianda, Giulio
Burckhalter, Frederick	Hart, Robert Douglass	Richardson, Warren
Champion, Francis	Hoy, James Wellington	Roberts, Hiram Whitehead
Clyde, Andrew	Holden, Jefferson Thomas	Shaffer, George
Cullen, Thomas	Hutchinson, John F.	Shinn, William Joab
Davis, Jonathan	Hettenhouser, Louis	Scribner, Samuel
DeBernardi, Giulio	Jacques, Julien	Stevens, James Parks
Doan, Latimer Emery	Jenkins, Samuel	Sterling, James
Dodd, George	Jessett, William	Sturgeon, Cyrus Oliver
Dunster, William George	Johnson, Hogan	Taylor, Charles E.
Dunn, Henry George	Maier, Pius	Wicks, Alexander Mackey
Durno, Wyatt Collier	Menk, Paul	Watson, William Myron—69.

RESTORED:

Holt, Andrew Jackson—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bragg, Allen Charles
Holt, Andrew Jackson

King, William Andrew

Whitmore, James—4.

SILVEYVILLE LODGE, No. 201.

Dixon, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

John Sweany, <i>Master</i> ,	Benjamin Franklin Kelly, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Herrman Eppinger, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Killebrew, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Ackson Ross, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Amiel Hockheimer, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Roland Ferguson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Orlando Lusk Bishop, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Augustus Dashiell, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Edwin Apperson, }
Daniel King, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Frederick August Schnitzlein, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

William Henry Wells,	George Clinton McCray,	John Sweany.
Amiel Hockheimer,		

MASTER MASONS:

Abbay, John Alexander	Gregory, Thomas Meredith	Merryfield, Justice Chandler
Agee, Christopher Colum's	Gunn, Peter	Munsie, John David
Baker, Roland Thomas	Hanna, John Samuel	Newman, Charles Henry
Baker, William	Hill, William Washington	North, James Charles
Blum, Jacob	Howard, David Jackson	Patterson, Robert
Buchard, Andrew	Jenkins, Wm. Wadlington	Pratt, Albert Harlow
Byrne, Daniel Dominick	Kelly, Thomas	Pritchard, Julian
Cole, John Henry	Kirsch, John Philip	Righter, Francis Marion
Curry, Montgomery Scott	Longmire, Daniel	Russell, Francis Evie.
Deck, Henry St. George	Luttges, Gustavus	Steele, William
Edwards, Benjamin	Lyons, George Washington	Summers, Andrew Good
Ettlinger, Bernhard	Madden, John Rightmire	Taylor, Hiram
Evans, George Hampton	McCune, Henry Ewalt	Thompson, Jno. A. Campbell
Fraser, Alexander	McKinley, Geo. Churchill	Weill, Isidore
Garnet, James St. Clair	McPhagen, John William	Wolfskill, Milton
Gates, Thomas Milton	Mefferd, Henry Alfred	Wright, Oren—63.
Goeffert, Henry		

FELLOW CRAFT :

Frahm, Claus—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bayley, Joshua Harrison	McCoy, Charles John	Mortimer, Elias
Garnet, Peter Richard	McLane, Fleming	Robinson, Christo'r Maxwell
Johnson, James Otis	McPherson, Alex. Daniel	Snyder, Seymour—11.
Johnson, William	McPherson, Daniel Robert	

PENTALPHA LODGE, No. 202.

Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, third Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Thomas John Caystile, <i>Master</i> ,	Granville Quincy Stewart, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Christopher North Wilson, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	John Caleb Salisbury, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Cuzner, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Ozias Wheeler, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Frank Lecouvreur, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Chauncey Walstein Gibson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Horace Hiller, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Caleb Edwin White, }
Alonzo Melancthon Campbell, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	George Stephenson, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Leander Clement Goodwin,	Charles Wilson Bush,	Robert Hunter Dalton,
Frank Lecouvreur,	John Duston Bicknell,	Horatio Sutton Parcels.
William Whipple Robinson,	Thomas S. Stanway,	

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, John Calvin	Heaver, William	Peel, Bryant Larendo
Atwell, Thomas	Hellman, Herman Wolf	Reed, Richmond Case
Banbury, Jabez	Hubbell, Stephen Charles	Reece, Oscar Madden
Bassett, James Madison	Hudson, Josiah Whitcomb	Richardson, Newton Perry
Barbier, Joseph Prudent	Jacob, Seth Washington	Rinaldi, Carl Robert
Beane, Charles Edwin	Johnson, Micajah David	Ripley, Clinton Briggs
Bergk, Charles	Johnston, Jas. Harrison, Jr.	Scott, William Henry
Bethune, Joseph Daniel	Jones, George Nathan	Shorb, Andrew Stephen
Burbank, David	Keel, Samuel Asa	Sippy, William
Cape, William	Kysor, Ezra Franklin	Smith, Arthur Lorenzo
Chalfin, Abram Seth	Lankershim, James Boon	Spencer, William
Chapman, William Smyth	Leaming, Christopher	Stanard, Benjamin Asa
Collier, Eli Holman	Ledbetter, Myranda Harper	Stanley, John Quincy Adams
Crawford, James Seth	Lehman, Luis	Stassforth, Henry
Cunningham, Rob't Gilmore	Lembcke, Charles Ernest	Van Nuys, Isaac Newton
Deming, Joseph Jefferson	Lester, William George	Vignolo, Ambrogio
Fisher, Edward Emerson	Littlefield, Jonathan C.	White, Seth
Fluhr, Jacob	Lockhart Wilson	Whiting, Billington Crum
Gibson, Francis Asbury	Lucas, John Henry	Willing, John Alexander
Glover, Milton White	Marxsen, Bonnevieve Carl E.	Williams, Charles Henry
Grymes, George Anderson	McKee, James Harsha	Wilson, Benjamin Davis
Haines, Rufus Rowe	Meyer, Constant	Woodward, John Putnam
Hancock, Thomas Didymus	Myers, Winslow Simon	Wright, John G.bson—90.
Hayden, William Belemus	Page, Samuel Lester	

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Polaski, Louis	Town, Robert Miller—2.
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ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Bonesteel, Charles Allen	Johnson, John Smith	Reed, Benjamin Franklin—4.
Champion, James Doren		

WITHDRAWN:

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Castruccio, Pietro	Ebert, Hiram Kesler—2.	Storer, Samuel—1.
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SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT:

Gray, Thomas E. (a member of <i>Canyon City Lodge</i> , No. 34, Oregon)—1.
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DIED:

Fuller, Thomas Fred—1.

CONFIDENCE LODGE, No. 203.

Castroville, Monterey County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Andrew Perrin Potter, <i>Master</i> ;	Reuben Jeffery, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Raphael Faneuff, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Alexander Ranie, <i>Junior Deacon</i> .
Absalom Luney Johnson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Albert McDonald, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Armstrong Rogers, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Frank Dany Hall, <i>Steward</i> ,
John Augustus Malloy, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Frederick Blohm, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Theodore Thomas Tidball,	Andrew Perrin Potter.
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MASTER MASONS :

Alderman, Eli Munson	Reaves, James Rice	Wollenberg, Louis—16.
Keare, Henry Asher	Tonzi, Norberto	

FELLOW CRAFT :

McDonald, Charles Frederick—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Freiermuth, Hervey Weston	Putnam, Azro Carlton—2.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Alderman, Gilbert	Carroll, James	Poole, Alonzo Willis—3.
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SALINAS LODGE No. 204.

Salinas, Monterey County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

John King Alexander, <i>Master</i> ,	Robert Crampton McCroskey, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Edwin Kirk Abbott, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Irving John Monroe, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Elbert Graves, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Nathaniel Lynch Allen, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Brewer Porter, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Harry Hudson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Herman Samuels, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Edward Fenton, }
	Levi Auker, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Carlisle Stewart Abbott,	William Victor McGarvey,	John King Alexander.
Norman Chipman,	William Vanderhurst,	

MASTER MASONS :

Abbott, Alvin Bailly	Burbeck, William	Cloud, Andrew Jackson
Adams, Herbert Nathan	Butler, Rufus Daniel	Colwell, Burnet Moore
Anderson, John	Cassiday, Samuel	Copley, Andrew Jackson
Archer, Samuel Milton	Chamberlin, Ch. Grandison	Dean, Silas Lucius
Ash, George Ody	Cheney, Moses Theodore	Dockery, John

Doutrick, Frank	Joy, Charles	Porter, Robert Lindsay
Duncan, James	Joy, John Green	Sherman, Lucius Smith
Franks, Christian	Joyce, Willis William	Snyder, Jacob
Harris, Jesse	Knowlton, Joseph, Jr.	Swift, Elias John
Hill, William Jay	Logwood, Charles Peyton	Taft, William Henry
Hitchcock, Benjamin	Logwood, Wm. Mayfield	Thompson, Zachariah
Hoffman, Christian	Long Joseph Johnson	Tynan, Michael
Hoffman, Henry	Mauk, Frank Edwin	Ulmer, Charles Jensen
Hunter, Powhatan Bowland	Morris, Joseph	Winham, Wm. Pitt Leroy
Jackson, Alexander Bell	Newlove, Joseph Harle	Wright, Edgar Hyde—60.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Drentwell, Charles—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Hawkins, Harrison Mills Wiedeman, Alfred—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Cook, James Green

Hiserman, Homer Cyrenius—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Abbott, Arthur Johnson	Hiner, Eldridge Hopkins	Murphy, John Luttrell
Carrick, George Frederick	Hitz, Francis	Rothe, Julius Augustus
Hebbron, James Richard	Isaac, William	Thompson, Pleasant—10.
Henderson, William Adams		

NEWVILLE LODGE, No. 205.**Newville, Colusa County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Stephen Smith Gilman, <i>Master</i> ,	Sullivan Osborn, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Ashlock Frice, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Daniel Mosier Hull, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Rufus Gustavus Burrows, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	David Markham, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Benjamin Franklin Foreman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Worth Bates,
Zimri Parker Dyer, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Fernando Cortes Graves,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
	John M. Elkins, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Master:

Francis Houghton.

MASTER MASONS:

Atwood, Benjamin Evans	Kirkpatrick, Thomas J.	Smith, Andrew
Campbell, Thomas Jasper	Malone, James	Smith, John Galbraith
Corrington, Stephen Munson	Miller, William Barton	Snelling, Gilb't M. LaFayette
Deering, John Walker	Mitchell, David	Uhl, George Washington
Graves, Fountain Columbus	Murdock, Gawn W.	Walker, John Fredrick
Green, Wright Farmer	Nelson, Hugh	Williams, John—32.
Hobson, Jesse Mason	Scribner, Butler Noles	

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Johnson, John Wesley—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bowers, Lewis Leonard

Green, Hiram

Trace, Daniel—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Elkins, Henry Marit

Monroe, William Leveridge—2.

STANISLAUS LODGE, No. 206.

Modesto, Stanislaus County.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Elihu Burritt Beard, <i>Master</i> ,	James Henry Sayre, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Adolphus Hewel, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Henry Joseph Ross, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Thompson Wilson Drullard, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	George Buck, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Lawson Burfoot Walthall, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Walter Benjamin Wood, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Lapsley Armstrong, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Christopher Columbus Wright, }
Septimus Allen Cleveland, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Septimus Allen Cleveland,	Jesse James Chapman,	George Buck.
William Grollman,		

MASTER MASONS:

Bently, Richard Harrison	Gaillet, Louis Achille	Perley, George
Brown, Michael	Garrison, Daniel Marcus	Phillips, Robert
Briggs, James Russell	Haislip, Benjamin Franklin	Pickworth, James Sinclair
Broyles, Samuel Weaver	Harp, Thomas David	Rice, Thomas Elam Baker
Burney, James	Harp, William Bohanan	Robinson, Wm. Henry Jack'n
Cameron, Geo. Washington	Hays, John Henry	Rodgers, John
Carpenter, John Hoskin	Hayter, Abram LaFayette	Sander, Benjamin
Conneau, Frank Ernest	Hayter, John Alon	Scruggs, Albea E.
Crow, William Henry	Horton, Dickinson Court'n'y	Spener, John Diliard
Daggitt, John Randolph	Houston, William John	Spicer, William Jordan
Eagleson, Erastus	Jacobs, Henry	Stone, Walter Scott
Elmore, Anderson Pickorde	James, Henry George	Tombs, Geo. Washington
Elmore, Benjamin Thomas	Laird, John Wilson	Torrence, James Writchley
Finney, John Harvey	Maddux, John Harvey	Van Mathenesse, Fr. Ant. G.
Fraser, Alexander Simon	Meridith, John Willson	Visher, John
Fulkerth, Asa Shin	Oerstrom, Gilbert Paul	Wardrobe, Samuel Vlorious
Gaillet, Achille	Parks, Benjamin Franklin	Wood, Edward Powers—64.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Purvis, Richard Benjamin—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Gatlin, Elijah Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Shaw, Solon Benjamin—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Gillman, James Edmund Latta, Eli Chambers—2.

ANAHEIM LODGE, No. 207.

Anaheim, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Theodore Reiser, <i>Master</i> ,	David Edwin Miles, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Herman Blanken, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Frank Ey, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Frederick Hartung, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Mark Castleberry Bailey, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Morris Luis Goodman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	David Evey, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Alphonse Washing't'n Steinhart, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Frederick August Korn, }
Ransom Daniel Curtis, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:Edward Evey,
David Evey,

Theodore Reiser,

Frederick William Athearn.

MASTER MASONS:Bacon, Jonathan Edward
Bingham, Joseph
Clark, John Warren
Clark, Pharez Allen
Cook, Alonzo Gerry
Crowther, William
Darling, Truman Andrew
Dreyfus, Benjamin
Evers, Otto Theodore
Gardiner, James SmithGinn, John Johnson
Hardin, William Nelson
Hayward, Albert Bliss
Higgins, William Morris
Koll, Frederick William
Lassell, Augustus Dimick
McFadden, William M.
Mendelson, Marks
Mendelson, Morris A.
Metcalf, AlfredMiles, Charles Sweeting
Ott, James Davidson
Plato, Gabriel David
Pullen, Eli Athen
Pursell, Thomas Morris
Smith, Abel Guy
Smith, William Jasper
White, Robert Newton
Wright, Amos—42.**FELLOW CRAFT:**

Grimshaw, Thomas Spencer—1.

WITHDRAWN:Collins, John Patterson
Davis, Philip

Melrose, Richard

Wiley, William Henry—4.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:Eccles, Robert
McChesney, Zachariah

McDowell, Alvin Hervey

Shelly, Thomas Hardin—4.

DIED:

Gaillard, Joseph Marie

Goldstein, Simon—2.

RIO VISTA LODGE, No. 208.**Rio Vista, Solano County.***Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**Marcel Pietvzycki, *Master*,
Ozias Barber Allison, *Senior Warden*,
Edward Charles Dozier, *Junior Warden*,
James Johnson, *Treasurer*,
Lyman Luther Palmer, *Secretary*,Anson William Elliott, *Senior Deacon*,
Joseph Eustace Pratt, *Junior Deacon*,
John Edward Turner Smith, *Marshal*,
William Burrows Pressley, } *Stewards*,
John Charles Kraus, }Soren Peter Sorenson, *Tyler*.**Past Masters:**Charles Andrew Pine,
Josiah Pool,Abraham Farr Hitchcock,
Thomas Powell Emigh,

Mathew Mitchell Wheeler.

MASTER MASONS:Brown, Byron Bradley
Butler, George Henry
Cathers, James
Church, Albert Colby
Dozier, Alvin
Dozier, Leonard Franklin
Dozier, Linwood
Hadley, James TrumbullHadley, Samuel Trumbull
Hamilton, James
Hamilton, James Henry
Johnston, Simon
Lewis, Charles Andrew
Lindsay, Orville Andrew
Macken, Lewis
Martin, James HillisNeilson, Hans
Peterson, Andrew Hanson
Ruble, Lewis Cass
Talbet, John
Vance, Hugh
Weckworth, Augustus
Wilcox, William—39.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Schow, Neils Anderson—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Pratt, Charles—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Glenn, William Isaac	Limbaugh, James Bennett	Smith, Hart Fellows
Hebb, Henry	Morgan, Geo. Fred. Godwin	Walker, Lewis—8.
Kynoch, Geo. Washington	Pine, Safford Fry	

DIED :

Lewis, Albert Nelson—1.

KING DAVID'S LODGE, No. 209.

San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo County.

Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Levi Rackliffe, <i>Master</i> ,	Phillip Francis Ready, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Williams Hays, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Nathan King, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Richard Milne Preston, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Lazare Landeker, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Henry Loobliner, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Andrew Williamson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Michael Henderson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Kaufman Schwartz, }
	Frederick Ott, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Levi Rackliffe,	Newton Dennis Witt,	Michael Henderson.
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MASTER MASONS:

Barger, Denel Edwin	Goldtree, Morris	Palmer, Horatio Bradshaw
Barron, William Taylor	Green, Kaufman	Parker, Frederick Wardner
Benrimo, Meir Almosnino	Hazen, Jerome Bonaparte	Patrick, Bryce
Blackburn, Daniel Drew	Krebs, Ernest	Pepperman, Max
Blackburn, James Hanson	Krebs, Julius	Pratt, Thomas George
Bloom, Herman	Lasar, Emanuel	Ransom, John
Brokenshire, Charles Rand	Levy, Isaac Daniel	Rembaugh, H. Southgate
Cass, James	Lincoln, Elijah Whiting	Robinson, William
Cerf, Ernest	Lindenmayer, Julius	Seeley, Timothy
Cervantes, Appollon's Leon	Mallagh, David Patrick	Staniford, George Breck
Dillard, William Blucher	McGinnis, William Taylor	Stanley, Henry Young
Ely, David Hall	Miller, Samuel King	Stringham, Edward Young
Fink, Charles	Newsom, David Frank	Unger, Arnold
Flint, John William	Noah, Meyer	Warden, Lew Moore
Foreman, Sol'n Wolliston	Ortega, Jose del Carmen	Woodcock, Fred'k Schwartz

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FELLOW CRAFTS :

Corbit, John

Haley, William Berriman—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Jeffreys, Walter Morgan	Thornton, Francis William	Whitman, John—4.
Taubert, Charles		

WITHDRAWN :

Sutherland, James Benjamin—1.

FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 210.

San Jose, Santa Clara County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Hardage Lane Andrews, <i>Master</i> ,	Joseph Bradford Cox, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Andrew Jackson, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Albert Lotz, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Daniel Jewett Porter, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Valentin Koch, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William DeWitt Tisdale, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas S. Montgomery, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Sanfier Brockway Anderson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Leander Northern, }
Charles Wallace Anderson, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Henry Howard Cook,	George May,	William Henry Hollis,
Samuel Alphonso Barker,	Bennett Pulverman,	Hardage Lane Andrews.
Joseph Jefferson Menefee,		

MASTER MASONS:

Ackerly, William Oliver	Dresser, Thomas Woodbury	Osborne, William Masters
Allen, Charles Herman	Dunn, Daniel C.	Owsley, Henry Clay
Arnold, Charles Henry	Feldman, Alther Moses	Pritchard, Edward
Arthur, James Gordon	Garrett, Shelden	Potts, John Samuel
Barrows, George Samuel	Hixon, George Clinton	Powell, David
Boynton, Byron Fossett	Jordon, Julius	Powell, George William
Bruch, Louis	Kennedy, James Grierson	Rice, Harvey Newton
Burnett, Harvey Davis	Kennedy, William Charles	Shoemaker, Frederick
Buzza, John Trebilcock	Ladd, Morris	Singletary, Emery Curtis
Carling, Edward	Lenzen, Theodore	Toney, John Martin
Castle, Alexander Wilson	Low, William	Turner, Jared
Chambers, Seymour	May, Orange Scott	Waugh, Jasper Dodridge
Chipman, Lemuel Job	McDougall, Giles Eggleston	White, John Durkee
Clayton, Benjamin Franklin	McKaig, Walter Wilbur	White, William Harvey
Coykendall, Jonathan	McKee, George Butterfield	Williams, Edward
Cozzens, Geo. Washington	McNeil, Albert Beebe	Williams, Thomas Northy
Davis, Andrew Jackson	Moorehead, John Milton	Winchell, Theodore Catlin
Dickson, Joseph Lane	Moyle, Isaiah	Woodrow, William Larkin

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FELLOW CRAFT:

Mitchell, Thomas Albert—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Fairchild, John Anthony	Foxworthy, Alexander	Smith, Bradley—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Brown, William Edward	Duncan, Robert Henry	McCammon, John Upton—3.
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SAN BENITO LODGE, No. 211.

Hollister, San Benito County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Andrew Snyder, <i>Master</i> ,	Nathaniel Corwith Briggs, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Snibley, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Edwin Augustus Eaton, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Samuel Finley Cowan, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Albert Loami Smith, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Judson Gerauld Hamilton, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Daniel Henry Osborn, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Guilford Lee, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Francis A. Cunning, }
William Clayton Asher, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Mark Pomeroy,	Robinson Rucklidge,	William Guilford Lee.
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MASTER MASONS:

Annis, Alexander Green	Harris, Heyler Beaumont	Orbon, Julian Gonzales
Baker, Reuben Joseph	Harrison, Edmund	Peck, Charles
Baldwin, Thomas Larkin	Hayhoe, John	Perry, Timothy Reed
Beatty, Timothy Newton	Hunt, James Johnson	Phillips, William Patterson
Bowden, John Henry	James, John Hodge	Pascoe, Thomas
Brauslauer, Bernard	Jeffries, Martin	Prior, John
Clay, Thomas William	Kerns, John	Ramsey, John Willson
Coleman, Bernard	Lynch, William	Recard, Alphonso
Cothran, Henry Woodward	Martin, Azariah	Rounds, Henry Augustus
Davenport, John William	Matthews, John Hamilton	Rosenburg, Marcus
Eardley, John Rowley	McConnell, Geo. Montg'y	Russell, John
Ellis, William Potts	McCray, Daniel	Shackleford, Richard M.
England, Harvey Penson	McDougal, Alex. Curry	Shaw, James Burns
Eppehimer, William	McGinerty, Benjamin	Shore, Richard Elijah
Erlich, John	McPhail, Dan'l F. Havelock	Speegle, Andrew Jackson
Estrada, Frederica	McPheeters, William S.	Tully, Edward Chaffin
Fairchild Elton Wylie	Mears, James	Walberg, Lars Erick
Garner, Richard Perry	Moore, Samuel	Wells, Stilman
Green, John Willis	Nash, Orlando F.	White, William J.
Hardin, Amos Marshall	Nye, Jacob	Whiteside, Thomas Francis

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ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Gardner, Rhodes	Hicks, William	Wall, John Burgess—2.
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WITHDRAWN:**SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:**

Chubbuck, Charles Emmons—1.	Baggs, Isaac—1.
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DIED:

McCloskey, James	McKean, William A.	Morris, Henry Zephaniah—3.
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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO LODGE, No. 212.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

*Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Francis Augustus Barrett, <i>Master</i> ,	David Byron Todd, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Elias C. Hare, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Henry Clay Herne, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Theodore Hanford Bloomer, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Thomas H. Hannah, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Diederich Dreyer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Byron DeWitt, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Cornelius Edward Dunshee, <i>Secretary</i> ,	David Conrad Keller, }
Simon Israel, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Henry Fairfax Williams,	Francis Brooke Wilde,	Francis Augustus Barrett,
George Keep,	Robert Price Kelley,	William Anderson.

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, Albert Warren	Harrison, James	O'Brien, William
Bayle, John	Hearty, James	Onken, John William
Birbe, Henry Carl	Langrahr, Diederich	Rines, James Pomeroy
Burns, Joseph Andrew	Leigh, Ernest Albert	Stewart, George Columbus
Dooley, James Joseph	Lewis, Thomas Benjamin	Stewart, William Edwin
Edwards, Edward	Litchfield, Charles Amieal	Shell, John Benjamin
Ervin, Henry John	McIntyre, George	Smith, Joseph
Gillen, Charles Joseph	Meyer, John	Stumpf, John
Hare, Andrew Jackson	Moffat, Henry	Witte, Charles—43.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Crunett, Fred	Ommist, Adam	Van Valer, Nathaniel—4.
Nonnenmann, Charles		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Conkey, Isaac	Fay, James George—2.
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BODEGA LODGE, No. 213.

Bodega, Sonoma County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

James McCaughey, <i>Master</i> ,	Moses Sweat Dearborn, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Leopold Solomon Goodman, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Hickman Estes, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Clark, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Nelson Reed Shaw, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Thomas Beacom, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Wm. Washington Gillham, }
William Caughey, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Marion Dorran, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Nelson Reed Shaw,	James McCaughey.
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MASTER MASONS :

Brown, James Henry	Rien, Samuel	Roix, Charles Franklin
Duncan, Sam'l Montg'y Jr.	Robertson, Chris.Columbus	Sartori, Benedict
Heffron, Albert Hall	Robinson, David	Tibbitts, Charles Edward
Joy, Benjamin	Robinson, William	Wiltse, Benton R.—22.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Lowry, Elgin—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Beatty, James	Shaw, George P.	Wright, Charles Theodore
Frazier, Wiley		—4.

SAN BUENAVENTURA LODGE, No. 214.

San Buenaventura, Ventura County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Jonathan Doan Hines, <i>Master</i> ,	Robert Crittenden Carlton, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Marion Cannon, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Jay Sheridan, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Allen Day, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Lemuel Clark McKeeby, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Milus Hervey Gay, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alvin Billings Smith, }
LaFayette Findla Eastin, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Simeon Harkey, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Amon Knighten, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Henry Spear, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Lemuel Clark McKeeby,	Jonathan Doan Hines.
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MASTER MASONS :

Alderman, Joseph	Clay, Henry	Pelin, San Bautiste
Arnold, Cutler	Clemmens, Andrew	Pinkerton, John
Arundell, William Henry	Cox, Richard	Quesnel, Jules Prosper
Bartch, Frederick	Duval, Eugene August	Ransom, Erastus
Bard, Cephas Lyttle	Edwards, Evan Alfred	Robins, Joseph Brown
Bard, Thomas Robert	Fales, Thomas	Roth, Joseph
Bartlett, Albert Griffith	Flint, Henry Pinney	Sheridan, Solomon Neal
Beckwith, Appleton Wells	Gilbert, Geo.Shoebridge Jr.	Simpson, Volney Alex.
Blackstock, Nehemiah	Grant, Kenneth Peter	Slinger, William
Blakslee, George Andrew	Grimes, Brice	Stanchfield, Levi Gould
Blanchard, Nathan Weston	Hickerson, Nimrod Helton	Starr, Joseph Lee
Brooks, James Marion	Higgins, Charles P.	Stone, John Richard
Burrell, William Henry	Higgins, Elijah Buell	Stow, John Talcott
Bush, Henry Lauren	Holland, Jacob Headley	Subren, George Henry
Card, Henry Andrew	Jones, Nephi Markland	Surdam, Royes Gaylord
Cerf, Leon	Kaiser, Joseph	Thompson, John Horatio
Chaffee, Walter Scott	Laurent, Martin Julius	Todd, Theodore
Chillson, Lorenzo Dow	Livingston, Robert George	Tompkins, John Given
Chrisman, Gabriel Spowler	Marsh, Daniel Barton	Warren, James Riley—70.
Chrisman, Gilpin Wallace		

WITHDRAWN:

Kaiser, George	Pearson, Richmond Cornwallis	Smith, Henry Jordan
Kittredge, Wm. Tilden	Secor, William	Vinyard, Wm. Henry—6.

SUSPENDED FOR NON PAYMENT OF DUES:

Methvin, James D.—1.

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT:

Bedell, Edward Augusta—1.

DIED:

Bradshaw, William Rose—1.

OAK GROVE LODGE, No. 215.

Alameda, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, second Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Eliphalet Minor Smith, <i>Master</i> ,	William Charles Biss, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Herbert Ham, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Millington, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Hayselden, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Alexander Innes, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Arthur Sanderson Barber, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Jackson Dever, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
Edward Ballard Keene, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Joseph Lancaster, }
James McGowan, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Frank Hally, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Eliphalet Minor Smith,	Robert McGoun.
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MASTER MASONS:

Ball, Ambrose Everett	Hardenburgh, Isaac	Lewis, George Leonard
Benseman, George	Hayselden, Thomas	Liese, Conrad
Boehmer, Fritz	Howe, Bainbridge	Magill, Robert Henry
Brower, John Daniel	Huntington, Edw'd Bouv'rie	Mastick, Joseph Wood
Clifford, Joseph	Irwin, Harry Frost	McLean, Sterling
Eickhoff, John Henry	Kaarsberg, Hans M'tz Hagen	Nobmann, John Henry
Green, Alonzo	Kimball, Maranda	Perkins, Franklin Lumnis

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ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Schroder, Adolph—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Neill, John

Smith, Lovias—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Ames, Orville Whitcomb—1.

DORIC LODGE, No. 216.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Charles James Hare, <i>Master</i> ,	John Charles Murphy, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Myers, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Francis Quirk, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Lorenz Nickel, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Lyon Zacharias, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Samuel Sigmund Arnheim, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Jacob Salomon, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
Louis Flatau, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Harris, }
Philip Riegelhaupt, (of <i>Pacific</i> , No. 136,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Samuel Sigmund Arnheim,	Lonson Martin Manzer,	Louis Kaplan,
Louis Schwartz,	Gumpert Schwartz,	Moritz Kalmuck.

MASTER MASONS :

Anderson, William	Hennessy, Henry	Passman, David
Andrews, Abraham	Hill, Francis	Paul, Alvin Augustine
Arnheim, Julius Samuel	Hunt, Geo. Edward Putney	Pierce, Peter
Arnheim, William Samuel	Kaplan, Abraham	Plato, David
Bangs, Edward	Karm, Henrie	Poehlman, William
Beffa, Angelo	Klopstock, Curtis	Purser, James William
Blair, Thomas Moore	Knacke, Frederick Frank	Quint, Leander
Bolander, Henry Nicholas	Kronberg, Adolph	Rader, Matthew George
Bosch, Peter	Landgreen, William	Roehrs, Carl And. William
Callan, John	Lawson, Peter Walter	Saalburg, William
Casey, Edward Warren	Leszynsky, Isidor	Samson, John Peter
Chase, Charles Metaphor	Leszynsky, Julius	Schmolz, William
Christiansen, John	Levy, Adolf	Schoenfeld, Louis Simon
Cohn, Jacob	Levy, Jacob	Schuck, Herman
Curllett, Wm. Frederick	Levy, Louis	Simonsson, Svante
Denker, Nicholas Carl	Levy, Salomon	Smith, Christopher
Drucker, August	Magee, David B.	Sperling, Frank
Elias, Philip	Marks, Emil	Sullivan, William James
Fay, James Denis	Merrill, John Matthew	Tracy, Theodore Fred.
Ferral, Robert	Mode, Louis	Traube, Hartwig
Greenzweig, George	Nannestad, Henrix Elias	Vincent, George Walker
Gustafson, Charles	O'Conner, Joseph	Warren, Charles Albert
Hardy, William Jeduthen	Paton, George	Wedekind, George Louis
Harris, Samuel		

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FELLOW CRAFT:

Faylor, George Washington—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Brannon, Thomas Dickson	Melander, John Victor	Plato, Gabriel David—4.
Dameron, James Palentine		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Cohen, Jacob Meyer	Kohn, Henry	Schweitzer, John
Cohen, Jacob Shaje	Krueger, William Godfrey	Senklar, Olef James
Kennedy, Matthew George	Prevost, Augustine William	Shine, John Philip—9.

DIED:

Lincoln, Jonas	Rosener, Levi	Von Loehr, Jos. Carl Fred.
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MONTEREY LODGE, No. 217.**Monterey, Monterey County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Bradley Varnum Sargent, <i>Master,</i>	David Fleming Little, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
William Henry Bryan, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Herman Julius Otto Prinz, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
William Henry Pyburn, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	William Matticks Rogers Parker, <i>Marshal,</i>
Honore Escolle, <i>Treasurer,</i>	James Rice Hadsell, } <i>Stewards,</i>
———, <i>Secretary,</i>	Jonathan Wright, }
	John William Miller, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Thomas Grafton Lambert,

Bradley Varnum Sargent,

James Bennett Smith.

MASTER MASONS:

Bidache, Victor

Jonson, Robert

Slayton, John Josiah

Burns, Edward

Josselyn, Edward Spencer

Tarbett, Foster Berry

Cooley, Frederick

LaRose, William Louis

Toothaker, Luther Simmons

Corby, Peter Phillmore

Logwood, Edw'd LaFayette

Varnum, Paschal

Geil, Samuel Franklin

Mannuel, Antoine

Wasson, Andrew

Harris, George Chase

Ougheltree, Andrew Jack'n

Webb, William Henry

House, Edmond Shirley

Prefumo, Peter

Wise, Edward Hale—35.

Ireland, Matthew Collins

Reynolds, William Daniel

FELLOW CRAFT:

Grimes, Edward—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

McDonald, Phillip—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Folsom, Freeman

Vercoe, James—2.

PLEASANTON LODGE, No. 218.**Livermore, Alameda County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**James Bearzell, *Master,*William Creighton Massie, *Senior Deacon,*William Archibald McKee, *Sen. Warden,*John Beck, *Junior Deacon,*Watkins William Wynn, *Junior Warden,*Milton Paschal Harrison Love, *Marshal,*Joseph Harris, *Treasurer,*Robert Wesley Graham, } *Stewards,*William Henry Wright, *Secretary,*

Reuben Hunter, }

Jacob Franklin Meyers, *Tyler.***Past Masters:**

James Beazell,

Milton Paschal Harrison Love,

Joseph Hardy Taylor.

Chas. Medley Dougherty,

MASTER MASONS:

Acker, Saxton Seth

Church, Augustus Melville

Holmes, Nathaniel Breed

Alvres, Antonio J.

Close, James Edward

Howard, William Harrison

Anspacher, Philip

Fassett, Francis Ronello

Inman, Daniel

Angelopolo, Peter Henry

Foscalina, John

Johnston, George

Bailey, Hiram

Fuller, Frank Tucker

Kapp, Frederick

Barthold, Adolph Gustav

Gerst, Garrison

Mathews, George William

Bigbie, Rhodum Louis

Gilfils, James

Pratt, Charles Henry

Black, Joseph French

Gunnell, John

Schrader, Frederic August

Bowles, Jesse

Hadsell, George

Wells, Thomas Dickeason

Campbell, Robert Benjamin

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ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Bunnell, Albert

Neal, Joshua Ayres

Thom, Charles Jefferson—5.

Mitchell, John Lawrence

Scarlet, John

WITHDRAWN:

Arendt, Harris	Goldman, Isaac Wolf	Moore, John Solon
Bilz, John Adolph	Jordan, William Austin	Winn, Louis Washington—7.
Gilson, George Fredona		

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT:

Lehmann, Herrman—1.

DIED:

Hinckley, Peter Anson

Simpson, Frank Jordan—2.

LOGGIA SPERANZA ITALIANA, No. 219.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Alessandro Zabaldano, <i>Venerabile Maestro</i> ,	Giuseppe Carlo Sala, <i>Primo Esperto</i> ,
Carlo Balzarini, <i>Primo Sorvegliante</i> ,	Giacomo Pietro Chiesa, <i>Secondo Esperto</i> ,
Antonio Rittore, <i>Secondo Sorvegliante</i> ,	Andrea Paltenghi, <i>Maresciallo</i> ,
Natale Giamboni, <i>Tesoriere</i> ,	Antonio Daneri, {
Beniamino Moron, <i>Segretario</i> ,	Amante Gherini, { <i>Ceremonieri</i> ,
Abram Isaac Miller, (of Mission Lodge, No. 169,) <i>Cuopritore</i> .	

Past Masters:

Guglielmo Berretta,	Natale Giamboni,	Andrea Davini.
Allesandro Luciano Barli,		

MASTER MASONS:

Arata, Francesco	Demartini, Paolo	Passalacqua, Benedetto
Bacigalupi, Luigi	Divecchio, Stefano	Pels, Eduardo
Bassi, Giuseppe	Dominovich, Giovanni	Percivale, Carlo
Beban, Rocco	Ferrara, Salvatore	Picinnini, Giuseppe
Beronio, Pietro	Franciscovich, Matteo	Prato, Antonia
Boicelli, Orazio	Gadina, Pietro	Raffo, Antonio
Brignone, Domenico	Galli, Carlo	Ratto, Giovanni
Brizzolara, Luigi	Giacomini, Giov'i Domenico	Ribolli, Antonio
Buzzini, Gaudenzio	Giamboni, Federico	Roccatagliata, Giovanni Bat.
Caglieri, Giorgio Giovanni	Gianettoni, Malachia	Sbarboro, Andrea
Camilloni, Giuseppe	Giannini, Gioachino	Scalmanini, Carlo
Capurro, Giovanni	Lucchetti, Francesco	Solaro, Henry Jerome
Costa, Michele	Marchi, Giovanni	Steffani, Camillo
Cuccurullo, Raffaele	Molinari, Giuseppe Pietro	Stevenot, Emilio K.
Damonte, Antonio	Nardini, Antonio	Tonini, Michele Gaudenzio
Dastugues, Gabriele	Nigro, Fabrizio	Valente, Luigi
Deluca, Giosualdo	Pardini, Narciso	Vlaho, Giovanni—66.
Demartini, Giovanni	Pasquale, Benedetto	

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Costantino, Bernardo—1.

RESTORED:

Splivalo, Augusto Daniele—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bianchi, Giovanni	Galli, Alfonso	Splivalo, Augusto Daniele—4.
Cevasco, Giovanni Battista		

DIED:

Cassullo, Giovanni—1.

DOWNEY LODGE, No. 220.

Downey City, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Jacob Baruch, <i>Master</i> ,	Willis Newton, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Smith Eliot, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Franklin Cooper, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Dawson Ardis, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Williams Jones, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Samuel Kitchens Woodward, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thompson Davison Sackett, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
Samuel Wales Burke, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Isaac Thomas Carney, }
John Walker Buster, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Cyrus Curtis Cummings,	Pettus Overton Clayton,	Thomas Jefferson Kerns.
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MASTER MASONS :

Adams, Frank Eury	Fanning, Robert	Miller, George Kay
Ardis, John Columbus	Feeler, Simon	Orr, William Warren
Baruch, Berthold	Fulton, Jasper E.	Pinkham, George Wash.
Bedwell, Robert Donald	Gray, Austin Newell	Rose, Amon
Bradford, William	Hay, James	Ryan, Andrew William
Carter, Samuel	Holdgate, Schofield	Sands, Samuel Richard
Caruthers, William	Houghton, William Lake	Sesler, Harry
Cheney, Tilford Denton	Isbell, Thomas	Settle, Marcus George
Collins, John Patterson	Julian, Alfred Webb	Smith, William Curtis
Corum, Simeon Tevis	Levy, Samuel	Spurlock, William Albert
Crawford, Mathew Duke	Loew, Jacob	Standefer, William Wiley
Davee, Zach C.	McCallum, Huysen F.	Stewart, James
Dolland, John	McElrath, John	Tucker, James Lewis
Dunlap, Albert H.	Meeks, Samuel Binks	Venable, Joseph William
Dunn, John Austin	Melton, William Jasper	Wordlow, David Settle—59.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Robison, William Marion—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Condit, Marion Bluford—1.

INYO LODGE, No. 221.

Independence, Inyo County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Andrew Neel Bell, <i>Master</i> ,	Henry Morse Isaacs, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Shepherd, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Helaire Philibert Cartier, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Edwin Parker, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Shephard, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
Omie Isaac Mairs, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Burgess White, }
Alvah Russel Conklin, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Jarius Davis Mairs, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Henry Morse Isaacs,	William Walker,	Andrew Neel Bell.
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MASTER MASONS:

Brady, James	Love, Robert	Upton, Samuel Berks
Collean, Louis	Middleton, Samuel Arthur	Viel, John
Egbert, Henry Clarence	Piper, Noah Twidney	White, Charles Belden
Ford, Robert Wintworth	Shaw, Frank	Yancy, Israel Putnam
Harris, Isaac	Stoutenborough, Chas. F.	Zaun, Sebastian—26.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Passmore, Thomas

Woolard, Robert Wallis—2.

GRANITE LODGE, No. 222.

Rocklin, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

William Frederick Schuetze, <i>Master</i> ,	James Philo Burchard, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Sweeney, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	George William Rowland, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Ertle, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Lewis Curl, }
Isidor Levison, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Charles Douglas Duncan, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Albert Henry Schuetze, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Wheeler Fippins, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

John Thompson Kinkade,

William Frederick Schuetze.

MASTER MASONS :

Coleman, Timothy	Lloyd, David	Perkins, William Dana
Connor, John Michael	Loney, James	Rowe, Robert Matthews
Cranley, William	Marsh, James Harvey	Smith, Benjamin Franklin
Forsyth, Thomas	McGinley, John	Schott, John Jacob
Gray, George Addison	Moore, Alfred Norris	Taylor, James Woodbury
Ketchum, Marvin	Muir, John Allen	Taylor, John Nye
Lindsay, Joseph Alex.	Patrick, Charles B.	Thomas, Lee Dingus—32.

FELLOW CRAFTS :

Day, Joseph Calhoun

Trott, Charles Cornelius—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Clark, Wiley Benjamin

Johnson, Levi

Prosser, William J.—3.

RESTORED:

Bates, Zealous—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Bates, Zealous

Booth, Jed Gibs

Climo, Samuel—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Johnson, Thomas Taylor—1.

DIED :

Page, Nathan Smiley—1.

MAUI LODGE, No. 223.

Wailuku, Island of Maui, Hawaiian Islands.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

[NO RETURNS RECEIVED.]

BAKERSFIELD LODGE, No. 224.

Bakersfield, Kern County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Benjamin Brundage, <i>Master</i> ,	Lewis Styles Rogers, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Arthur Train Whitman, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Stoel Morris Judd, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Porter Owenby, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Philo Dennis Jewett, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Jacob Weil, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Lycurgus Troy, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Alphonse Weill, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Narboe, }
Samuel H. Anderson, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Benjamin Brundage,	Oliver Tarbal Chubb.
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MASTER MASONS :

Alexander, Siegfried	Green, Edward	Nelson, Swan Peter
Amy, Victor	Lowe, Joseph Paxton	Prewett, James
Ardizzi, Beneditto	Malin, Isaac Buthe	Shakelford, Richard
Beard, John	May, Kuffin Colman	Silman, Lemuel Hampton
Brower, Celsus	McClanahan, Perry Davis	Smith, Robert Thomas
Collins, Albert Oscar	Miller, Christian	Tyler, Mathew Adams—31.
Glenn, James Newton		

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Bermudez, Alphonse Amédee	Duke, George Allen	Jewett, Solomon
Burns, Robert	Jacoby, Morris	Mann, Lafayette—6.

WITHDRAWN :

Henley, Elihu Shields	Weaver, Philip Marion	Whittelschoefer, Julius—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Green, Luther Darius	Milsaps, Jacob Thompson—2.
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BROOKLYN LODGE, No. 225.**East Oakland, Alameda County.***Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

John Watterman Phillips, <i>Master</i> ,	Jona. Vinsen Webster, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Bezaleel Merritt Atchinson, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Joseph Hunt, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Meserve Walker, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Alvan Webster, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John J. Newsom, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Edward Evan Davies, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Henry Sumner, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Kennedy, }
William David Thomas, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

John Henry Sumner,	John Watterman Phillips,	Nicholas Patterson Perine.
Jonathan Vinsen Webster,		

MASTER MASONS :

Babcock, Geo. Washington	Hampel, Henry	May, Richard
Bangle, Edward	Holiday, John McHarg	Newsom, Samuel
Cameron, Duncan	Jordan, Joseph Whitehead	Pfenninger, Herman
Case, Isham	Keller, John Frederick	Stetson, Charles Riley
Cobbledick, James	Larue, James	Swett, Asa Woodbury
Davis, Frederick W.	Lorber, Joseph	Tam Suden, Joh'n H'y Nich's
Dawson, Thomas Madison	Lundfair, James	Watson, Geo. Washington
Fuller, Amos Leighton	Mason, William Cowan	—36.

FELLOW CRAFT:**ENTERED APPRENTICES :**

Hughes, John Charles—1.

Conrad, D. W.

Lufkin, Thomas H.—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Barnhisel, Charles Franklin

Rector, Ludwell James—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Schunemann, Frank—1.

**HAYWARD LODGE, No. 226.****Half Moon Bay, San Mateo County.***Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Joseph B. Freitas, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles Henry Davids, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Hatch, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Nelson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Levy, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Rufus Harvey Hatch, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Fernand Levy, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Jacob Rosenbaum, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Griffith Price Hartley, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Robert Campbell, }
Jacinto Lorenzo, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:Henry Elford Lea,
Joseph B. Freitas,

John Johnston,

Josiah Parker Ames.

MASTER MASONS:

Bernard, Louis Bloumtrie	Davis, Joseph Andson	Gordon, Alexander
Bicknell, Jas. Witherspoon	Duncan, George	Husing, Rathye
Borden, Charles Wightman	Garcia, Manuel Francis,	Johnston, Thomas
Borden, George Riley	Gilbert, Franklin Calvin	Morrisson, Walter Ferguson

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ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Maynard, Almarien B.—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Curry, William Campbell—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Badger, James

Campbell, Wm. Henderson

Johnston, John P.—3.

DIED:

Wells, James Watts—1.

CONTRA COSTA LODGE, No. 227.

Somersville, Contra Costa County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Samuel Brown, <i>Master</i> ,	Edward McLeod, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Robert Maphfit Clare, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Franklin Deemer, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Thomas Cox, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	George Samuel Miller, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Ferdinand Gambs, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Patterson, }
James Haggart, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Philander Barrett Martin, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

John Franklin Deemer,

James Rankin,

Thomas Simon Brown.

MASTER MASONS:

Agnew, John	Horswell, Frederick Jeffrey	Prupton, William Reese
Body, Mark	Hughes, John Jones	Rhine, Jacob
Conner, Robert	Johnson, John James	Riddock, Alexander
Davis, Jacob D.	Jones, David Humphrey	Rodgers, Thomas
Davis, John T.	Jones, David Paul	Von Alvensleben, Bruno
Davis, Morgan	Jones, Lodwick	Williams, John Henry
Davis, William	Jones, William William	Woodruff, David Seymour
Harris, Daniel David	Piercy, John Hay	—35.

WITHDRAWN:

Davis, John Arthur

Wright, John Edward--2.

ATHENS LODGE, No. 228.

Davisville, Yolo County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Ward Spooner Williams, <i>Master</i> ,	Fred'k Gustavus Crawford, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Dresbach, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Henry Hand, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Reuben Bronson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Harrison Marden, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Elijah William Brown, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Byron Pearce, Jr., } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Frederick Klays, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Jesse Gray Rowe, }

William Berry Hurt, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Edward Francis Bane,

Matthew Gardner.

MASTER MASONS:

Bixby, Edward Henry	Hamel, Henry	Olufs, Oluf Bernhard
Bullard, William Green	Hiller, John Alexander	Philliber, Joseph
Burke, John	Huy, John Wilson	Reed, Orange Dennis
Craig, Frederick	Johnson, Henry Foster	Wilson, Frank Marion
Drummond, Lewis Craig	Leiter, Julius	Weinberger, Marcus
Foster, Theron	Lettner, Simon Henry	Wire, Frank Benjamin—33.
Gordon, Melvin Barnes	Luddington, Gilbert Lewis	

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Morgan, John Lewis—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Fairbain, Alexander	Keebler, Joseph Rector	Weiler, Alfred Isaac—3.
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EXPELLED:

Hunt, Henry Clay—1.

SOLANO LODGE No. 229.

Vallejo, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

John Farnham, <i>Master</i> ,	Orrin Hartwell Butler, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Frank Douglas Mead, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Daniel Miller McCool, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Thompson Starr, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	George Elvin Sides, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Ambrose Jones Plummer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alexander Bertsch Bertoschy, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Fletcher Roe, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Frank Laviere,
Adam Armstrong McAlister, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Charles Grove, <i>Organist</i> ,
	John Thompson, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Frank Worthy Cushing,	George Thompson,	John Quincy Adams,
Frank Edward Brown,	Mattison Myers,	William Bremner Stephenson.

MASTER MASONS:

Alden, Eugene Beauharnais	Frisby, William Edward	Payne, John Frank
Butler, Ira Mortimer	Harding, Jeremiah	Rigney, Edward Henry
Carter, William	Harris, John	Robinson, Jno. Buckingham
Clarke, William Henry	Hatheway, Alden Leonard	Rogers, David William
Cushman, George Perry	Higson, Frederick Delmer	Roney, James
Dare, John	Hilliard, Daniel Marenus	Sailor, John Henry
Deming, John Francis	Holtog, Jorgen Jacob	Shields, Thomas
Demmon, George Cramer	Irving, Andrew Kerr	Smith, John Daniel
Denio, Cyrenius Blackman	Jones, Thomas William	Spencer, John Abram
Dornin, William Henry	Kincaid, Lemuel Covell	Street, Augustus Marsburger
Drake, Franklin Jeremiah	Lockwood, Wm. Harrison	Van Meter, John William
Duncan, John Kennedy	McDonald, Edwin Augustus	Wendell, Joseph Fairbanks
Edgecumbe, Jos. Collins	McKinnon, Alexander Ross	Willats, Edward Albert
Farley, Dallas Jones	Melven, Nathaniel	Williams, Robert Adrian
Fraser, William	Morse, Charles Alonzo	Winton, John Wilton
Frey, John	Munroe, George	Wood, George—69.
Frisbie, Adelbert	Naylor, Henry	

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Farley, Martin Brown

Woods, Samuel—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Plaisted, George Pomroy

Talbot, James

Urmy, William Smith—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Armstrong, Ellis Thompson—1.

NORTH BUTTE LODGE, No. 230.

Gridley, Butte County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Aaron Pugh, <i>Master</i> ,	Nelson Wallace Hogeboom, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Joshua Stafford, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Lee Babcock, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Jacks, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Powell,
William Dandridge Peck, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Edward Noel Stevenson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Marcus James Bigelow, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Cotterell Young, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Mathias Leonard Tescher,
Aaron Pugh,

John M. Pugh,

Adam Hamilton Lamme.

MASTER MASONS:

Beall, John	Guidery, John	McMurtry, John Van Angle
Boyles, John Morgan	Harris, Joseph Thompson	Riley, George Washington
Clanton, James Madison	Hicks, John Leander	Rodgers, William Riley
Davis, Samuel Joshua	Holliday, Trotter	Sligar, Joseph
Dodson, Benjamin Franklin	Hughes, Edward Peyton	Stone, Lewis Charles
Fagan, Edward	Klock, Elias Frederick	Williston, Elijah William

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FELLOW CRAFTS:

Baylis, David

Blackford, Samuel Shannon—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Heininger, James

Onstott, William—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Allen, Christ'r Columbus

Lindsay, John Nelson

Rankin, Andrew Jackson—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Taylor, Reese Bowen

Van Fossen, Thomas Ezra—2.

EXPELLED:

Keith, George Alexander—1.

COVELO LODGE, No. 231.

Covelo, Mendocino County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Walter Lee Bransford, *Master*,William Pullen, *Senior Deacon*,Felix Purcell, *Senior Warden*,Patrick Kerr Faulds, *Junior Deacon*,Jacob Updegraff, *Junior Warden*,John Kerr Chambers, *Marshal*,Lemuel Davis Montague, *Treasurer*,

Sanders Hornbrook,

Whitcombe Henley, *Secretary*,Alexander Colvin Perry, } *Stewards*,David Hicks Lowry, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

James Michael Ellis,

Levi Hartzell Patty.

MASTER MASONS:

Banten, James Brown

Henley, Geo. Washington

Randrup, William

Grey, Andrew

Hoffman, William Henry

Stevens, Robert

Halloran, James

Lockhart, Samuel

Thomson, John Paine

Handy, Philo

Lovell, Harry Solon

Tuttle, Lorenzo Brady—26.

Hanthorne, Townslin

FELLOW CRAFT:

Short, James Green—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Matthews, James Robert—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Barnes, Thomas Langley

Henry, Purdy—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Anthony, Josiah

Shaver, John

Williams, Samuel Glasson—3.

JANESVILLE LODGE, No. 232.

Janesville, Lassen County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Hiram Winchell, *Master*,Granville Pullen, *Senior Deacon*,George Kingsley Bangham, *Sen. Warden*,John Parks, *Junior Deacon*,Benjamin Franklin Sheldon, *Jun. Warden*,Anthony Otto, *Marshal*,James Porter Sharp, *Treasurer*,

Jeremiah Bond,

Milton Santee, *Secretary*,Jeremiah Leakey, } *Stewards*,James Milton Steinburger, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Abraham Gillette Moon,

Levi Newton Breed.

MASTER MASONS:

Bass, Richard Dudley

Doyle, Stephen Abbotte

Leavitt, Benj. Hanson

Clark, Nicholas

Epley, Thomas Henry

McKissick, Jacob

Clark, William Henry

Fitch, John Edward

Parks, Elisha Cheesbro

Decious, Joseph Warren

James, Preston

Theodore, John—26.

Dill, Andrew

DIED :

Mastin, William Thomas

Sifford, Alonzo—2.

CALISTOGA LODGE, No. 233.**Calistoga, Napa County.***Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.***OFFICERS:**John Ripley Wright, *Master,*Leonidas Hamlin Hopkins, *Senior Deacon,*William Nelson Harley, *Senior Warden,*Robert Hunter Safely, *Junior Deacon,*Jacob Barry Brown, *Junior Warden,*John Almanza Chesebro, *Marshal,*Henry Getleson, *Treasurer,*

David Fairfield,

Frederick Augustus Freeman, *Secretary,*William Dows Smith, } *Stewards,*James Mitchell, *Chaplain,*—— ———, *Tyler.***Past Master:**

Leonidas Hamlin Hopkins.

MASTER MASONS:

Boyce, William Pritt

Gulliver, George William

Tallman, Hiram Cole

Conners, Newton

Hoover, Abram

Taylor, Frederick Augustus

Demmick, Clarence Abel

Hopkins, Wm. H'y Harrison

Towle, Thomas Sylvester

Donnellan, Benj'n Crockitt

Kerr, Michael Alexander

Van Namee, Charles Theo.

Drysdale, Jas. Summerfield

McAuley, Edward Lester

Willis, David Connor

Fern, Arthur

Noel, John Thomas

Woolley, Eliphas Burt

Fisher, William Frederick

Roberts, Robert W. E.

Wright, James California

Francis, James Harvey

Schonewald, George

Young, Andrew Jackson

Griffin, Perry Lewis

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FELLOW CRAFT :

Sickler, Charles Henry—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Palmer, Augustus Ceasar—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Crittenden, John Dwight

Mitchell, Hiram Heaton—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

O'Leary, John Paul

Titus, Charles Jesse—2.

DIED :

Snyder, Charles Frank—1.

HOPE LODGE, No. 234.

Beckworth, Plumas County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Flavius Jason Winchel, <i>Master</i> ,	Allen Trimble, <i>Chaplain</i> ,
Benjamin Franklin Bobo, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Edmond Goble, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Eugene McNeil, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	George Henry Cunningham, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Logan Crow, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Adelbert Earl Torrey,
Cassius Hale Brown, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Joseph Asberry Dedmon, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Washington Dedmon, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Master:

Sylvester Benton Hinds,

William Elwell.

MASTER MASONS:

Babcock, Charles Marsh	Dedmon, Allen	Hathaway, Joseph Bushnell
Beach, Miller	Dedmon, Henry Pool	Martin, Richard
Beard, Charles	Dedmon, Seneca Sutton	Reilly, William
Berry, Doctor Champlain	Donalds, James	Scheeline, Simon
Brigham, William Cromwell	Evans, James Lemuel	Stiner, Henry
Cook, George Edgar	Ford, William	Thomas, Sylvester Augustus
		—31.

WITHDRAWN:

Johnson, George Washington	Seltier, Claude François	Stiner, Jacob—4.
Lothrop, Lee		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Meroney, William Oscar—1.

DIED:

Brownfield, Alfred

Weeks, George—2.

SURPRISE VALLEY LODGE, No. 235.

Cedarville, Modoc County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

John Heath Bonner, <i>Master</i> ,	William Harvey McCormick, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Isaac Newton Jacobs, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Jacob Fister Bittner, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James McIntire Hornback, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	William Henry Patterson, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Robert Wield Minto, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Henry Lyman Merryfield, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles William Lee, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Corbon Ewell Grider,
Colin Anderson, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	William David Hudspeth, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Master:

John Heath Bonner.

MASTER MASONS :

Brown, William	Mark, Joseph	Sanborn, James Laforst
Clark, Jacob	McClintock, Frank	Skillman, Isaac Hutchinson
Coleborne, George	McDaniels, John	Smith, Francis Kasson
Cressler, William T.	Morrow, John William	Stevens, Ward Spooner
Dickinson, James Wilburn	Raine, George Washington	Warren, George Stewart
Ewing, Lorr McDonald	Russell, John Madison	Whitmore, Warren Bibcar
Farmer, Stanf'd McLerran	Sawtell, Frederick Adolp's	Wimer, George—34.
Freeland, William Abraham		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Angle, William—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Gresham, Uriah—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Turner, Leonidas Wood, John—2.

DIED :

Lewis, Frank—1.

HILL'S FERRY LODGE, No. 236.

Hill's Ferry, Stanislaus County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Charles Parsons Harris, <i>Master</i> ,	Francis William Rally, <i>Secretary</i> ,
Bartholomew Davis Noxon, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	John Leander Crittenden, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Peter Tournot, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John DeHart, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
———, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Albert Joselyn Ford, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Charles Parsons Harris, Patrick Manning.

MASTER MASONS :

Bennett, Masten Green	Gorham, John James	Sorrenson, Rasmus And'son
Bibby, Nicholas	Grant, William Michael	Swofford, Pressley
Bunker, Nathaniel Emmons	Hubner, Charles Gotthelf	Underwood, Lawson Michael
Chism, James Thomas	Kilburn, Guy	Yancy, Thomas Grayson
Dalby, Samuel Price	Robison, Elisha Henry	Walden, Chas. Francis
Edgecomb, Frederick	Rodden, William	Walters, James—27.
Fortune, James P.		

WITHDRAWN :

Blackwell, Henry Franklin	La Point, Moses	Spriggs, John Milton—5.
Harris, William	Newsome, John Munroe	

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Tucker, John Franklin—1.

GUADALUPE LODGE, No. 237.

Guadalupe, Santa Barbara County.

Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Irving Nolan McGuire, <i>Master,</i>	William Wallace Ayres, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Jacob Joshua Eddleman, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Newton Holmes Rose, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Martin Van Buren Robbins, <i>Jun. Warden,</i>	Tobias Belt Jamison, <i>Marshal,</i>
John Dunbar, <i>Treasurer,</i>	David Lewty, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Jonas Wescoatt, <i>Secretary,</i>	Charles Wesley Martin, }
William Leslie Stephens, <i>Chaplain,</i>	James Alexander Norris, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters :

Jacob Joshua Eddleman,	Irving Nolan McGuire.
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MASTER MASONS:

Abernethy, James	Johnston, Hosea Holcom	Rice, John Henry
Abernethy, Robert	Jones, Jonathan Henry	Schwartz, Isadore
Abernethy, Wm. Alexander	Kaiser, Lazarus Meyer	Shutter, Frederick
Bloomer, Adrian	Kemp, William Parker	Smith, Emory Franklin
Cash, Jerome	Laughlin, Henry James	Smith, George Volney
Edgar, John	Leslie, Walter Guy	Stillwell, William Wilson
Field, Frederick Franklin	Miller, Jeremiah Morrow	St. Ores, Lewis
Fleck, John	Nichols, George Burrett	Streeter, Charles Henry
Gormley, Thomas	Norris, John Richard	Thornburgh, Madison
Grant, John W.	Prell, John Gotlob	Wheelis, Isom—44.
Hudson, John William	Radich, Mattio	

FELLOW CRAFT :

McArdle, Patrick—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Clayton, Benjamin Franklin	Johnson, Irvine	Mundell, Wallace Jackson
Hayden, Return		—4.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Burnison, Andrew Jackson—1.

TYRE LODGE, No. 238.

Gold Run, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

William King White, <i>Master,</i>	William Gibson Oliver, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
John Young Thomas, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Henry Leonard Noyes, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
James Elliott Woodward, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Sylvester Doyle Moore, <i>Marshal,</i>
Alexander Gibson Oliver, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Joseph Rogers, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Joel Atherton Stone, <i>Secretary,</i>	William Henry White, }
	William Jones, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters :

Alexander Gibson Oliver,

John William Ritchie.

MASTER MASONS :

Chaney, George Merrill

Fox, Charles James

Moody, Jonathan Fletcher

Cook, William

Gilbert, Timothy Andrew

Steinagel, Andrew Christian

Dahl, Hans Martin

Holmes, James

Stevens, John

Dixon, Joseph

King, Thornton

Taylor, John Bayard

Drunzer, Peter

Lovejoy, H'y Leavenworth

Whipple, Samuel Junior—27.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Romerio, Charles Aquilino—1.

PESCADERO LODGE, No. 239.**Pescadero, San Mateo County.***Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**Richard John McNulty, *Master*,William Andrew Brown, *Senior Deacon*,William Henry Gardner, *Senior Warden*,Charles William Swanton, *Junior Deacon*,Robert Allen Rawls, *Junior Warden*,Alexander Cathro, } *Stewards*,Henry Hillebrand, *Treasurer*,

Charles Housefelth, }

Henry Clay Hart, *Secretary*,Jacob Taber Reed, *Tyler*.**Past Masters :**

Christopher Columbus Coffin,

Henry Hillebrand.

MASTER MASONS :

Berry, Charles Dickey

Miramontez, Dolores

Templeton, Horatio Mansa

Chandler, Lafayette

Roe, Timothy Elwood

Thompson, H'y Bailey—17.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Koster, Frederick—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Haskins, Aaron

Haskins, Joseph William—2.

EQUALITY LODGE, No. 240.**Colusa, Colusa County.***Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**William Day Dean, *Master*,Robert Augustus Barnett, *Senior Deacon*,Johnson Grover, *Senior Warden*,Christian Wilhelm Hansen, *Junior Deacon*,John Lowry Jackson, *Junior Warden*,

Thomas Bicknell,

Edward Winslow Jones, *Treasurer*,William Thomas Beville, } *Stewards*,Joseph H. Pierson, *Secretary*,Harrison Alexander Roe, *Tyler*.**Past Master :**

Joseph Bailey Cooke.

MASTER MASONS :

Albery, Morgan	Graves, David Rice	Richardson, Charles
Bishop, Samuel McCoppin	Heath, George	Robinson, William Lauren
Brim, John Wiley	Heuer, John Henry	Robison, Samuel Alex.
Burtis, Stephen	Hosmer, Winslow Simon	Roden, Felix Grundy
Cameron, Edward W.	Huber, George John	Simeral, Sanford William
Cheney, John	Jones, James Thaddeus	Stanton, Joseph Byron
Cohn, Gerson	Keser, Louis	St. Maurice, Ed'd DeClaud
Crandall, Dwight	McDow, Elvadis Berry	Thompson, Milton James
De Jarnatt, John Burris	McDow, Thomas Benton	Totten, Marco Bozzarris
Dunlap, Perley	McKeehan, Irenius Hinkel	Tully, William Robert
French, Simon P.	Millis, Mortimer	Wallace, Reeve Peck
Furth, Jacob	Perigo, Oliver Elbridge	Williams, John William—48.
Graham, Oscar		

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Endicott, Woodford Wilson—1.

WITHDRAWN :

McDow, Lafayette Decody

Putman, Jefferson Ellmore—2.

DIED :

Spittler, George Jacob—1.

SANTA ANA LODGE, No. 241.

Santa Ana, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Robert Burns Guthrie, <i>Master</i> ,	James Winfield Layman, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Isaac Harding, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Christ'er Columbus Edinger, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
George Washington Vance, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Benjamin Franklin Maxon, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Henry Fruit, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Jacob Ross,
———, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Theodore Beed Hopkins, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Albert William Birch,

William Harbertt Titchenal.

MASTER MASONS :

Benefield, Robert Wiley	Hubbard, Walter G.	Samis, Daniel Harrison
Chilton, Frank Robert	Humphreys, Charles Wm.	Shrode, David King
Cummins, Robert	Lockhart, Levi J.	Slankard, Harrison
Graham, William W.	McTarnahan, Sam. Barring'n	Smith, Lawson Adams
Gregg, John Henry	Parten, Hues Owen	Wall, William B.
Hews, Jonathan A.	Rogers, Edwin Hawkins	Willite, William Lane
Hickey, Isaac	Rugar, E. V.	Wilcox, Charles Wheaton
		—32.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Cummins, Ebenezer Dean—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Cummins, John Mack

Harmon, Henry Harrison—2.

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT :

Burtnett, Jasper Newton—1.

MAGNOLIA LODGE, No. 242.

Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County.

Stated Meetings, third Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Addison Hervey Orr, <i>Master</i> ,	Benjamin Franklin Thomas, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John David Peer, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William D. Monroe, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Webber Samuel Seavey, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Harvey Bradley Marcy, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Albert Hayman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Bradshaw Stearns, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Ezra Benedict Strong, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Andrew Damm, }
Joseph Meroux (of Santa Barbara Lodge, No. 192), <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Charles Jerome Paddock,	Francis Ransome Drake,	John Warren Heck.
Robert Fletcher Stevens,		

MASTER MASONS:

Babcock, Leonard	Hannauer, Moses	Owen, Benjamin Franklin
Bristol, Henry	Harris, Amos	Purcell, Thomas Jefferson
Casebeer, Joseph Wilson	Hill, Jesse	Risdon, Augustus David
Ealand, Joseph	Hunter, John Milton	Scott, James M.
Edwards, William Rose	Ketcham, Daniel H.	Sexton, Nelson Butler
Finch, William Wallace	Knapp, George	Trout, Daniel Hawk
Gourley, Eliakim Tupper	Mix, James	Wolf, Sigfried
Graciot, Charles Cronk	Moore, Peter Lewis	Wood, Franklin Augustus
Hails, Richard	Newman, Alexander	Williams, George Martin

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WITHDRAWN:

Davisson, Manly T.—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Alrutz, John	Brown, Alonzo	Felton, Oliver C.—4.
Bates, Thaddeus		

DIED:

Wood, Lyn Parsons—1.

EUCALYPTUS LODGE, No. 243.

Hayward's, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Adam Charles Bloomer, <i>Master</i> ,	Alonzo Bradford, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Harvey Wood Rice, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	George Henry Horn, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Asa Collins, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Hiram Rogers, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Joseph Pimentel, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Crayton Winton, }
Charles Prowse, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Tyzzer Wills, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Solomon Kinsey, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	John Carr, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

James Davis Austin,	George Akerman Whidden.
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MASTER MASONS :

Bullock, Amasa Marion	Lander, Henry	Whidden, William—19.
Everett, Calvin Damon	Russell, Joel	

ALCATRAZ LODGE, No. 244.

Oakland, Alameda County.

*Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Charles Henry Redington, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles Wesley Gilbert, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Samuel Ellis Burroughs, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Daniel Briggs Oakes, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Edward T. Taylor, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Munn Young, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Chas. Henri Frederic Braun, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Daniel Robertson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Joseph Hollywood, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John McGregor, }
James Louis Gerrish, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Samuel Ellis Burroughs,

William Bolton.

MASTER MASONS :

Anthony, Albert Gallatin	Fay, Max Henry	McGuire, Jesse Milton
Antonelli, Vincenzie	Folger, James Athearn	McKeen, Albert Atwater
Ball, Charles Henry	Hawkett, Arthur Welling'n	Monnet, Louis
Barnett, Rufus Putnam	Hetherington, Jas. Walter	Moon, John Holley
Bastian, Frederick	Houghton, Frederick T.	Partridge, Abram P.
Buchanan, Alexander	Isaacs, John Done	Roseberry, James
Bullock, John Calvin	Kelly, Martin Michael	Snook, William Sayer
Climo, Samuel	Kerr, Lewis Cormick	Taylor, Levi William
Crane, George Eger	Lange, Frederick William	Trefethen, Eugene Augustus
Cumberson, Wm. Morrel	Langford, Thomas	Wheeler, Peter
Cutting, James Ripley	Lawlor, John Joseph	Williams, Benj. Storrs Edg'n
Day, Samuel Marshal	Marr, Archibald Campbell	Wood, William Lyons—49.
Drake, George Washington		

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Kyer, John—1.

LAUREL LODGE, No. 245.

Willows, Colusa County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Lewis Leonard Bowers, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles John McCoy, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Johnson, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	George Mellor, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Albert Benjamin Chase, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Elias Mortimer Tyler, <i>Marshal</i> ,
James Otis Johnson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Henry Baker Elliott, }
William Ferington Mason, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Alex. David McPherson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Cartwright, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Fleming McLean, <i>Tyler</i> .

MASTER MASONS :

Duncan, Addison Eugene	Hoag, George Winfield	Robinson, Christ'r Maxwell
Durham, William Anderson	Hockheimer, Moses	Rohrback, Daniel Henry
Garnett, Peter Richard	Longmire, Sam'l Culberts'n	Troxel, Joseph R.—23.
Hoag, Ellis	Marshall, Newton Burton	

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Gupton, Kindred

Kelley, Bradford Howland—2.

POMONA LODGE, No. 246.**Pomona, Los Angeles County.***Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

William Thomas Martin, <i>Master</i> ,	Josiah Wright, <i>Secretary</i> ,
Lyman Duren Conner, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Mercer, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Hughart Eagan, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Brown Parker, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Congreve, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Clark Wright, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Master :

William Thomas Martin.

MASTER MASONS :

Bradley, George Y.	Farrington, George Ward	Martin, William Claiborne
Bridger, Joseph	Holladay, Thomas Draper	Welle, Charles
Burk, Allen Willard	Jester, Jan Jadohes Joseph	Whyte, John—18.
Egan, George Cambell		

FELLOW CRAFT :

Schlesinger, Jacob—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Rogers, Matthias Gossett—1.

FRESNO LODGE, U. D.**Fresno, Fresno County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Orville Seth Putnam, <i>Master</i> ,	Wm. Henry Ambrose Creed, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Samuel Goldstein, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Adolph Kutner, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Angus Marion Clark, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Bibb Dennett, <i>Marshal</i> ,
George Bernhard, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Barney Rowell, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
Claudius Galen Sayles, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Ira Weeks Byington, }
Russell Harris Fleming, <i>Tyler</i> .	

MASTER MASONS :

Ashbrook, Alfred	Collins, James Darwin	Russell, Eli S.—16.
Bachman, Nathan L.	Hoffman, Allan F.	

FELLOW CRAFTS :

Byrd, John H.	Levy, Herman—2.
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ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Edwards, David Franklin—1.

EXPULSIONS, SUSPENSIONS, AND RESTORATIONS.

EXPULLED.

* <i>Crescent</i>	Lodge, No. 45,...	SAMUEL HARGREAVES,.....	Oct. 10, 1877.
<i>Santa Rosa</i>	" No. 57,...	WOODMAN W. ROYAL,.....	June 4, 1877.
† <i>Natoma</i>	" No. 64,...	THOMPSON GREAVES SAULSBURY,....	Oct. 11, 1877.
<i>Concord</i>	" No. 117,...	JOHN HENRY PARNELL,.....	Jan. 6, 1877.
<i>Woodland</i>	" No. 156,...	JAMES FORSYTH MACKIE,.....	Feb. 23, 1877.
<i>Claborne</i>	" No. 185,...	JULIUS VERTON MINOR,.....	Aug. 18, 1877.
<i>Buckeye</i>	" No. 195,...	JAMES HARVEY LEE,.....	June 30, 1877.
<i>Pentalpha</i>	" No. 202,...	L. H. CUTLER, (N. A.).....	April 28, 1877.
<i>Pentalpha</i>	" No. 202,...	WILLIAM CAPE,.....	Aug. 20, 1877.
<i>North Butte</i>	" No. 230,...	GEORGE ALEXANDER KEITH,.....	June 30, 1877.

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT.

<i>Nevada</i>	Lodge, No. 13,...	THOMAS MILLER BARR,.....	Jan. 10, 1877.
<i>Suisun</i>	" No. 55, ...	JAMES MCNULTY,.....	Dec. 30, 1876.
<i>Humboldt</i>	" No. 79,...	PETER BELCHER,.....	Jan. 4, 1877.
<i>San Buenav'ra</i>	" No. 214,...	EDWARD AUGUSTUS BEDELL,.....	May 26, 1877.
<i>Pleasanton</i>	" No. 218,...	HERMAN LEHMANN,.....	Sept. 9, 1876.
<i>Santa Ana</i>	" No. 241,...	JASPER NEWTON BURNETT,.....	Mar. 23, 1877.

RESTORED.

BY A LODGE, AFTER SUSPENSION FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT:

<i>Texas</i>	Lodge, No. 46,...	JOHN NEWTON BIGLEY,.....	Apl. 14, 1877.
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BY THE GRAND LODGE, AFTER EXPULSION:

<i>Ionic</i>	Lodge, No. 121,...	CHARLES BAER, ...	Oct. 13, 1877.
<i>Truckee</i>	" No. 200,...	MICHAEL BOROWSKY,.....	Oct. 12, 1877.
<i>Salinas</i>	" No. 204,...	FRANCIS MARION JOLLY,.....	Oct. 11, 1877.

* Suspended by Lodge, February 26, 1877, and expelled by Grand Lodge at date above given.

† Suspended by Lodge, August 27, 1877, and expelled by Grand Lodge at date above given.

LIST OF THE SUBORDINATE LODGES, With a Summary of their Reports for the Masonic Year ending July 31, A. L. 5877.

NAMES OF LODGES.		PLACE OF LOCATION.		DATE WHEN CHARTER WAS ORDERED.	Numbers.	Fee for adf'n.	Fee for deg's.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Susp. for non- pay't of dues.	Susp. for un- masked cond.	Expelled.	Died.	Rejected.	Ent. App's.	Fell. Crafts.	M. Masons.
		TOWN.	COUNTY.																		
1 CALIFORNIA,.....	1	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,....	April 19, 1850.	100	50	12	13	13	13	..	3	3	5	..	..	9	..	1	..	36
2 WESTERN STAR, ...	2	Shasta,.....	Shasta,.....	"	50	12	..	..	..	..	2	1	3	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	61
3 TEHAMA,.....	3	Sacramento,...	Sacramento,....	"	75	5	6	2	2	3	7	2	5	2	..	..	3	..	..	1	108
* JENNINGS,.....	4	Sacramento,...	Sacramento,....	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4 BENICIA,.....	5	Benicia,.....	Solano,.....	"	50	6	6	1	1	2	2	..	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	48
* SUTTER, ...	6	Sacramento,...	Sacramento,....	May 7, "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
† SAN FRANCISCO, ...	7	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,....	Nov. 27, "	50	2	6	..	..	..	1	1	7	1	..	..	4	..	4	..	89
5 TUOLUMNE,.....	8	Sonoma,.....	Tuolumne,.....	"	50	2	6	..	..	..	1	3	4	..	..	..	5	2	1	2	115
6 CORINTHIAN,.....	9	Marysville,...	Yuba,.....	"	75	2	6	..	..	..	1	3	4	..	..	..	5	2	1	2	115
7 SAN JOSE,.....	10	San Jose,.....	Santa Clara,....	"	50	..	9	2	3	3	10	1	6	12	..	1	3	1	..	..	174
† WILLAMETTE,.....	11	Portland,.....	Oregon Territory,...	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
8 YOUNT,.....	12	Napa,.....	Napa,.....	May 6, 1851.	50	12	..	..	1	1	3	..	1	2	..	..	..	2	4	..	79
9 NEVADA,.....	13	Nevada,.....	Nevada,.....	"	75	6	6	7	7	3	1	4	1	1	1	..	1	2	..	..	119
10 TEMPLE,.....	14	Sonoma,.....	Sonoma,.....	"	50	5	6	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	34
† LA FAYETTE, ...	15	La Fayette,...	Oregon Territory,...	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
11 EUREKA,.....	16	Auburn,.....	Placer,.....	Nov. 7, "	50	12	6	6	6	5	..	1	5	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	49
12 PARFAITE UNION, ...	17	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,....	May 5, 1852.	100	5	12	6	6	7	2	1	2	..	..	..	1	1	1	1	109
13 MOUNTAIN SHADE, ...	18	Downieville,...	Sierra,.....	"	60	12	2	2	2	2	1	..	7	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	48
14 SAN JOAQUIN,.....	19	Stockton,.....	San Joaquin,...	"	50	..	6	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	65
15 WASHINGTON,.....	20	Sacramento,...	Sacramento,....	"	75	1	9	1	1	1	3	1	1	6	..	..	1	3	..	..	69
16 HAWAIIAN,.....	21	Honolulu,.....	Hawaiian Islands,...	"	50	10	12	3	3	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	3	1	..	72
17 OCCIDENTAL,.....	22	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,....	" 20, "	100	50	15	6	9	9	1	9	6	24	..	..	5	2	2	..	253
* MADISON,.....	23	Grass Valley,...	Nevada,.....	May 5, 1853.	78	12	2	4	4	4	7	..	5	5	..	..	..	8	..	..	143
19 MARIPOSA,.....	24	Mariposa,.....	Mariposa,.....	"	50	5	12	3	5	5	2	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	37
20 GEORGETOWN,.....	25	Georgetown,...	El Dorado,.....	"	53	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	48
21 EL DORADO,.....	26	Placerville,...	El Dorado,.....	" 6, "	55	5	6	2	2	1	1	..	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	63
22 TRINITY,.....	27	Weaverville,...	Trinity,.....	" 5, "	50	1	6	1	..	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	69
23 COLUMBIA,.....	28	Columbia,.....	Tuolumne,.....	"	50	3	5	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	44
* DIAMOND,.....	29	Diamond Springs,...	El Dorado,.....	"	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

NOTE. Those Lodges in the present list marked thus * have surrendered their charters—those marked thus † have had their charters revoked—those marked thus ‡ are now under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Oregon—those marked thus § are now under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Nevada—and those marked thus || have consolidated as follows : *Marysville*, No. 9, and *Corinthian*, No. 69, under the designation of *Corinthian*, No. 9 ; *Indian Diggings*, No. 85, and *Saint Mark's*, No. 116, under the designation of *Saint Mark's*, No. 85 ; *Siskiyou*, No. 105, and *Saint John's*, No. 37, under the designation of *Saint John's*, No. 37 ; and *Mount Jefferson*, No. 107, and *Tuolumne*, No. 8, under the designation of *Tuolumne*, No. 8.—ABELL, *Gr. Sec.*

24	GOLDEN GATE,...	30	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,...	May	5, 1853.	100	10	12	9	9	9	2	1	1	1	10	1	1	193
25	MOKELUMNE,...	31	Mokelumne Hill,...	Calaveras,...	"	"	50	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	22
26	GOLD HILL,...	32	Lincoln,...	Placer,...	"	"	50	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	32
27	OPHIR,...	33	Murphy's,...	Calaveras,...	"	"	50	4	6	6	5	6	4	1	1	1	7	1	2	29
28	SANTA CLARA,...	34	Santa Clara,...	Santa Clara,...	"	"	50	5	6	1	1	1	3	2	2	2	4	1	1	55
29	SAN DIEGO,...	35	San Diego,...	San Diego,...	"	7, 1854.	50	12	6	6	4	4	3	2	9	4	1	1	1	72
*	BUTTE,...	36	Bidwell,...	Butte,...	May	3, 1854.	75	1	6	1	1	1	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	48
30	SAINT JOHN'S,...	37	Yreka,...	Siskiyou,...	"	"	75	1	6	1	1	1	7	7	2	3	2	1	1	99
31	SANTA CRUZ,...	38	Santa Cruz,...	Santa Cruz,...	"	"	75	2	6	4	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	84
32	YUBA,...	39	Marysville,...	Yuba,...	"	"	75	5	6	5	5	5	8	2	3	1	1	1	1	116
33	SACRAMENTO,...	40	Sacramento,...	Sacramento,...	"	"	50	12	1	1	1	1	3	2	3	2	1	1	1	50
34	MARTINEZ,...	41	Martinez,...	Contra Costa,...	"	"	50	6	1	1	1	1	9	1	2	2	3	1	1	43
35	LOS ANGELES,...	42	Los Angeles,...	El Dorado,...	"	5,	55	1	6	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	1	1	1	105
36	HIRAM,...	43	El Dorado,...	Los Angeles,...	"	3,	100	10	12	15	15	6	2	9	7	1	1	1	1	239
37	MOUNT MORIAH,...	44	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,...	"	"	50	1	18	1	4	3	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	38
38	CRESCENT,...	45	Crescent City,...	Del Norte,...	"	"	50	1	8	2	2	2	1	5	2	1	1	1	1	36
39	TEXAS,...	46	San Juan,...	San Benito,...	"	4,	75	5	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	38
40	MICHIGAN CITY,...	47	Michigan Bluffs,...	Placer,...	"	3,	75	5	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	36
*	GRASS VALLEY,...	48	Grass Valley,...	Nevada,...	"	"	50	6	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	2	1	1	1	55
41	FORBESTOWN,...	49	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,...	"	"	60	12	1	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	38
42	ILLINOISTOWN,...	50	Forbestown,...	Butte,...	"	"	50	1	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...
*	ROUGH & READY,...	51	Colfax,...	Placer,...	"	"	50	1	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...
*	FRANKLIN,...	52	Nevada,...	Nevada,...	"	"	50	1	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...
*	SAINT JAMES',...	53	Sacramento,...	Sacramento,...	May	2, 1855.	50	5	6	4	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	77
43	SUISUN,...	54	Jamestown,...	Tuolumne,...	"	"	50	5	6	4	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	37
44	VOLCANO,...	55	Suisun,...	Solano,...	"	"	50	5	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	115
45	SANTA ROSA,...	56	Volcano,...	Amador,...	"	"	50	1	12	3	4	4	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	143
46	UNION,...	57	Santa Rosa,...	Sonoma,...	"	"	75	10	6	5	5	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	54
47	GRAVEL RANGE,...	58	Sacramento,...	Sacramento,...	"	"	50	12	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	49
48	PLUMAS,...	59	Camptonville,...	Yuba,...	"	"	50	6	8	7	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	124
49	LIVE OAK,...	60	Quincy,...	Plumas,...	"	"	50	12	1	2	5	5	1	14	1	1	1	1	1	23
50	GEORGE WASHINGTON,...	61	Oakland,...	Alameda,...	"	3,	60	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50
*	IOWA HILL,...	62	Chinese,...	Tuolumne,...	"	"	50	1	6	4	6	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	47
51	NATOMA,...	63	Iowa Hill,...	Placer,...	"	2,	50	5	9	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	51
52	AMADOR,...	64	Folsom,...	Sacramento,...	"	"	75	6	2	2	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...
53	FOREST,...	65	Jackson,...	Amador,...	"	"	50	6	3	3	3	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	145
*	MINNESOTA,...	66	Allegany,...	Sierra,...	"	"	50	6	3	3	3	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	...
54	MORNING STAR,...	67	Minnesota,...	San Joaquin,...	"	"	50	6	3	3	3	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	...
	CORINTHIAN,...	68	Stockton,...	Yuba,...	"	"	50	6	3	3	3	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	...
		69	Marysville,...		"	"	50	6	3	3	3	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	...

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NAMES OF LODGES.	PLACE OF LOCATION.		DATE WHEN CHAPTER WAS ORDERED.	Fee for d'gs	Fee for a'n	Annual dues	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Susp. for non- pay't of dues.	Expelled.	Died.	Rejected.	Ent. App's.	Fell. Crafts.	M. Masons.
	TOWN.	COUNTY.																	
55 ENTERPRISE,.....	Yuba City,.....	Sutter,.....	May 2, 1855.	50	5	12	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	2	55
56 NEBRASKA,.....	Michigan Bar,...	Sacramento,...	" "	50	5	12	2	1	1	1	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	24
* E. K. KANE,.....	Nevada,.....	Nevada,.....	" "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
* TYTO,.....	Drytown,.....	Amador,.....	" "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
* WISCONSIN HILL,...	Wisconsin Hill,...	Placer,.....	" 3, "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
* MOUNTAIN FOREST,...	Eureka North,...	Sierra,.....	" 2, "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
57 BEAR MOUNTAIN,...	Angel's,.....	Calaveras,...	" "	50	3	6	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	26
58 PETALUMA,.....	Petaluma,.....	Sonoma,...	" "	50	5	6	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	73
59 CALAVERAS,.....	San Andreas,...	Calaveras,...	" 4, "	50	5	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	31
60 HUMBOLDT,.....	Eureka,.....	Humboldt,...	July 1, "	75	5	12	1	1	1	4	2	3	1	1	1	2	2	1	74
61 IONE,.....	Ione City,.....	Amador,...	May 8, 1856.	50	5	6	1	1	1	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	53
62 YOLO,.....	Cacheville,...	Yolo,.....	" "	50	5	6	1	2	2	4	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	36
* MOUNTAIN,.....	Don Pedro's Bar,...	Tuolumne,...	" "	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
63 RISING STAR,.....	Forest Hill,...	Placer,.....	" "	50	5	6	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	46
64 VESPER,.....	Red Bluff,...	Tehama,...	" 9, "	60	5	12	1	1	1	2	3	3	7	1	2	3	1	1	81
65 SAINT MARK'S,...	Fiddletown,...	Amador,...	" 8, "	60	5	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	33
66 SAINT LOUIS,.....	St. Louis,.....	Sierra,.....	" "	50	5	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	33
67 NAVAL,.....	Vallejo,.....	Solano,...	" "	50	5	12	1	1	1	1	3	3	9	1	1	1	4	1	51
68 QUITMAN,.....	Moore's Flat,...	Nevada,...	" "	75	5	12	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	107
69 ROSE'S BAR,.....	Smartsville,...	Yuba,.....	" "	53	5	12	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	39
* POLAR STAR,.....	Poor Man's Creek,...	Plumas,...	" "	50	5	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	33
70 NORTH STAR,.....	Port Jones,...	Siskiyou,...	" "	60	5	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	40
71 ACACIA,.....	Coloma,.....	El Dorado,...	" "	55	5	8	4	4	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	33
72 SAINT HELENA,...	St. Helena,...	Napa,.....	" "	50	1	6	1	1	2	5	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	47
* MOUNT HERMON,...	Elizabethtown,...	Plumas,...	" "	80	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	47
73 HENRY CLAY,.....	Sutter Creek,...	Amador,...	" "	75	5	6	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	46
74 HOWARD,.....	Yreka,.....	Siskiyou,...	" "	50	5	6	1	1	1	1	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	23
75 JEFFERSON,.....	La Porte,.....	Plumas,...	" "	60	5	6	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	28
76 HORNITOS,.....	Hornitos,.....	Mariposa,...	" "	50	5	6	1	2	2	2	1	3	3	1	1	2	1	1	48
77 LA GRANGE,.....	Merced,.....	Merced,...	" "	50	5	8	1	2	2	2	1	3	3	1	1	2	1	1	48
78 CAMPO SECO,.....	Campo Seco,....	Calaveras,...	" "	50	5	6	5	4	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	23

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NAMES OF LODGES.	Numbers.	PLACE OF LOCATION.		DATE WHEN CHARTER WAS ORDERED.	Fee for deg's	Annual dues	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Susp. for non- pay't of dues.	Susp. for un- mas'ns' cond.	Expelled.	Died.	Rejected.	Ent. App's.	Fell. Crafts.	M. Masons.
		TOWN.	COUNTY.																	
168 So. SAN FRANCISCO, ..	212	San Francisco, ..	San Francisco, ..	Oct. 14, 1871.	75	12	4	1	1	3	3	...	2	...	...	...	3	4	4	43
169 BODEGA, ..	213	Bodega, ..	Sonoma, ..	" "	50	1	6	2	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	22
170 SAN BUENAVENTURA, ..	214	San Buenavent'a, ..	Ventura, ..	" "	75	6	2	3	3	7	1	5	2	1	...	1	...	...	...	70
171 OAK GROVE, ..	215	Alameda, ..	Alameda, ..	" "	50	2 1/2	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
172 DORIC, ..	216	San Francisco, ..	San Francisco, ..	" "	75	10 1/2	9	10	9	2	...	4	9	...	3	1	1	...	1	85
173 MONTEREY, ..	217	Monterey, ..	Monterey, ..	" "	60	1 1/2	1	1	1	3	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
174 PLEASANTON, ..	218	Livermore, ..	Alameda, ..	Oct. 11, 1872.	50	5	3	1	2	...	...	1	...	1	2	...	...	5	...	41
175 SPRANZA ITALIANA, ..	219	San Francisco, ..	San Francisco, ..	" "	75	10 1/2	1	1	1	...	1	4	...	...	1	2	1	...	...	66
176 DOWNEY, ..	220	Downeyville, ..	Los Angeles, ..	" "	50	1	6	1	2	8	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	59
177 INYO, ..	221	Independence, ..	Inyo, ..	" "	75	5 1/2	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	26
178 GRANITE, ..	222	Rocklin, ..	Placer, ..	" "	50	2 1/2	12	8	5	2	1	3	1	...	1	4	3	2	...	32
179 *MAUI, ..	223	Walluku, ..	Hawaiian Islands, ..	Oct. 18, 1873.	50	15 1/2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
180 BAKERSFIELD, ..	224	Bakersfield, ..	Kern, ..	" "	75	5 1/2	1	1	2	5	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	6	...	31
181 BROOKLYN, ..	225	Oakland, ..	Alameda, ..	" "	50	12	3	2	2	...	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	2	1	35
182 HAYWARD, ..	226	Half Moon Bay, ..	San Mateo, ..	" "	50	5 1/2	1	1	1	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	1	...	26
183 CONTRA COSTA, ..	227	Somersville, ..	Contra Costa, ..	" "	50	12	1	1	2	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35
184 ATIENS, ..	228	Davisville, ..	Yolo, ..	" "	50	12	1	1	1	1	...	3	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	33
185 SOLANO, ..	229	Vallejo, ..	Solano, ..	" "	50	5 1/2	4	4	4	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	69
186 NORTH BUTTE, ..	230	Gridley, ..	Butte, ..	" "	50	12	...	...	1	5	1	3	2	...	1	...	...	2	31	26
187 COVELO, ..	231	Covelo, ..	Mendocino, ..	Oct. 16, 1874.	...	...	7	7	7	...	...	2	3	...	...	...	3	1	1	26
188 JAMESVILLE, ..	232	Janessville, ..	Lassen, ..	" "	50	1	6	2	4	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	26
189 CALISTOGA, ..	233	Calistoga, ..	Napa, ..	" "	52	1	6	3	3	2	5	...	2	...	1	1	1	1	...	36
190 HOPE, ..	234	Beckworth, ..	Plumas, ..	" "	15	12	5	5	5	...	...	4	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	31
191 SURPRISE VALLEY, ..	235	Cedarville, ..	Modoc, ..	" "	60	1	6	4	6	7	3	...	1	...	...	1	2	...	...	34
192 HILL'S FERRY, ..	236	Hill's Ferry, ..	Stanislaus, ..	" "	50	5 1/2	...	...	...	...	2	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	26
193 GUADALUPE, ..	237	Guadalupe, ..	Santa Barbara, ..	Oct. 14, 1875.	50	...	8	11	12	2	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	44
194 TYRE, ..	238	Gold Run, ..	Placer, ..	" "	65	6	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27
195 PESCADERO, ..	239	Pescadero, ..	San Mateo, ..	" "	50	5 1/2	3	3	3	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	17
196 EQUALITY, ..	240	Colusa, ..	Colusa, ..	" "	50	12	4	3	4	2	...	2	...	...	1	2	1	...	...	47
197 SANTA ANA, ..	241	Santa Ana, ..	Los Angeles, ..	Oct. 12, 1876.	50	1	6	1	2	1	10	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	1	32

198	MAGNOLIA,.....	242	Santa Barbara, ...	Oct. 12, 1876.	50.	6	1	1	1	3	2	4	1	...	...	...	41
199	EUCALYPTUS,.....	243	Hayward's,.....	" " "	50	5 12	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	19
200	ALCATRAZ,.....	244	Oakland,.....	Oct. 11, 1877.	50	12	10	9	9	9	...	...	...	3	1	...	49
201	LAUREL,.....	245	Willows,.....	" " "	75	5 12	8	7	7	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	23
202	POMONA,.....	246	Pomona,.....	" " "	50	5 6	3	2	1	3	...	...	...	...	1	1	18
203	FRESNO,.....	U.D.	Fresno,.....	.....	55	5 12	3	2	...	3	...	...	...	2	1	2	16
							569	573	574	558	104	486	334	10	8	162	222
																267	91
																	12168

* No returns received.

REPRESENTATIVES

Of the Grand Lodge of California near other Grand Lodges and Grand Orients.

Argentine Republic, ...	<i>Ill.</i>	VALENTIN F. BLANCO, 30°, ...	1877.
Canada, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. EDWARD MITCHELL, G. T., ...	1877.
District of Columbia, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. JOSEPH W. NAIRN, P. D. G. M., ...	1874.
Egypt, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. F. F. ODDI, G. S., ...	1877.
Florida, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. SAMUEL B. STEPHENS, P. G. M., ...	1870.
Georgia, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. JAMES W. TAYLOR, S. G. W., ...	1875.
Hungary, ...		W. The Baron FREDERIC PODMANICZKY, ...	1876.
Illinois, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. THEODORE T. GURNEY, P. G. O., ...	1877.
Indiana, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. FRANK S. DEVOL, G. M., ...	1877.
Iowa, ...		W. WILLIAM B. LANGRIDGE, Asst. G. S., ...	1869.
Kansas, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. JOHN H. BROWN, P. G. M., ...	1874.
Kentucky, ...		W. FREDERICK WEBBER, P. M., ...	1874.
Louisiana, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. JOHN Q. A. FELLOWS, P. G. M., ...	1869.
Maine, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. HENRY H. DICKEY, J. G. W., ...	1872.
Manitoba, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. W. N. KENNEDY, G. M., ...	1877.
Minnesota, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. GEORGE W. PRESCOTT, G. S., ...	1860.
Mississippi, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. JOHN S. JONES, S. G. W., ...	1877.
Missouri, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. JOHN E. RYLAND, P. D. G. M., ...	1877.
Nebraska, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. ORSAMUS H. IRISH, P. G. M., ...	1873.
New Hampshire, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. *JOHN A. HARRIS, P. S. G. W., ...	1874.
New Jersey, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. JOSEPH TRIMBLE, P. G. M., ...	1870.
New York, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. CHARLES ROOME, G. Marshal, ...	1872.
Nova Scotia, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. STEPHEN R. SIRCOM, P. G. M., ...	1869.
Ohio, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. JOHN D. CALDWELL, G. S., ...	1874.
Oregon, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. JOHN MCCRAKEN, P. G. M., ...	1870.
Pennsylvania, ...		W. CHAUNCEY S. RUSSELL, P. M., ...	1874.
Peru, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. ARTHUR M. WHOLEY, G. M., ...	1876.
Tennessee, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. TOWNSEND A. THOMAS, P. D. G. M., ...	1869.
Texas, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. PHILIP C. TUCKER, P. G. M., ...	1874.
Utah, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. JOHN SHAW SCOTT, D. G. M., ...	1877.
Vermont, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. HENRY CLARK, G. S., ...	1874.
Virginia, ...		W. WILLIAM B. ISAACS, P. M., ...	1874.
Washington, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. THOMAS M. REED, P. G. M., ...	1869.
West Virginia, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. KEPHART DELWAR WALKER, S. G. W., ...	1874.
Wisconsin, ...		W. WILLIAM C. SWAIN, P. M., ...	1876.

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REPRESENTATIVES

Of other Grand Lodges and Grand Orients near the Grand Lodge of California.

Argentine Republic,.....	M. W.	WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER, P. G. M.,	1877.
British Columbia,.....	V. W.	*JAMES LAIDLEY, G. T.,	1873.
Canada,.....	M. W.	WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER, P. G. M.,	1877.
District of Columbia.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1866.
Egypt,.....	M. W.	LEONIDAS E. PRATT, P. G. M.,	1877.
Florida,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1869.
Georgia,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1875.
Illinois,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1860.
Indian Territory.....	M. W.	GEORGE CLEMENT PERKINS, G. M.,	1875.
Indiana,.....	M. W.	JOHN MILLS BROWNE, G. M.,	1877.
Iowa,.....	M. W.	ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, P. G. M.,	1875.
Kansas,.....	M. W.	ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, P. G. M.,	1875.
Kentucky,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1870.
Louisiana,.....	R. W.	ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, D. G. M.,	1869.
Maine,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1872.
Manitoba,.....	M. W.	JOHN MILLS BROWNE, G. M.,	1877.
Minnesota,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1859.
Mississippi,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1869.
Missouri,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1861.
Nebraska,.....	M. W.	WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, P. G. M.,	1874.
New Hampshire,.....	M. W.	ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, P. G. M.,	1875.
New Jersey,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1870.
New York,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1859.
Nova Scotia,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1867.
Ohio,.....	M. W.	WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, P. G. M.,	1874.
Oregon,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1869.
Peru,.....	R. W.	CHARLES LOUIS WIGGIN, D. G. M.,	1876.
Tennessee,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1869.
Texas,.....	W.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER JANUARY, P. M.,	1874.
Utah,.....	V. R.	WILLIAM HENRY HILL, P. G. Chap.,	1877.
Virginia,.....	W.	WILLIAM ALEXANDER JANUARY, P. M.,	1874.
Washington,.....	V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1866.
West Virginia.....	V. W.	*JAMES LAIDLEY, G. T.,	1875.
Wisconsin,.....	R. W.	CHARLES LOUIS WIGGIN, D. G. M.,	1876.

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IN NORTH AMERICA.

GRAND LODGES.	GRAND SECRETARIES.	RESIDENCES.	ORGANIZED.
ALABAMA,.....	Daniel Sayre,.....	Montgomery,.....	June 11, 1821.
ARKANSAS,.....	Luke E. Barber,.....	Little Rock,.....	Feb. 22, 1832.
BRITISH COLUMBIA,.....	Eli Harrison, Jr.,.....	Victoria,.....	June 26, 1871.
CANADA,.....	John J. Mason,.....	Hamilton,.....	Oct. 10, 1855.
COLORADO,.....	Edward C. Parmelee,.....	Georgetown,.....	Aug. 2, 1861.
CONNECTICUT,.....	Joseph K. Wheeler,.....	Hartford,.....	July 8, 1789.
DAKOTA,.....	W. E. Caton,.....	Elk Point,.....	June 24, 1875.
DELAWARE,.....	William S. Hayes,.....	Wilmington,.....	June 6, 1806.
DIST. OF COLUMBIA,.....	Wm. R. Singleton,.....	Washington,.....	Feb. 19, 1811.
FLORIDA,.....	DeWitt C. Dawkins,.....	Jacksonville,.....	July 5, 1830.
GEORGIA,.....	J. Emmett Blackshear,.....	Macon,.....	Dec. 16, 1786.
IDAHO,.....	Charles Himrod,.....	Boise City,.....	Dec. 16, 1867.
ILLINOIS,.....	John F. Burrill,.....	Springfield,.....	April 6, 1840.
INDIANA,.....	John M. Bramwell,.....	Indianapolis,.....	Jan. 12, 1818.
INDIAN TERRITORY,.....	Rufus P. Jones,.....	Caddo,.....	Oct. 5, 1874.
IOWA,.....	Theodore S. Parvin,.....	Iowa City,.....	Jan. 8, 1844.
KANSAS,.....	John H. Brown,.....	Wyandotte,.....	Mar. 17, 1856.
KENTUCKY,.....	Hiram Bassett,.....	Millersburg,.....	Oct. 16, 1800.
LOUISIANA,.....	James C. Batchelor,.....	New Orleans,.....	June 12, 1812.
MAINE,.....	Ira Berry,.....	Portland,.....	June 1, 1820.
MANITOBA,.....	John H. Bell,.....	Winnepeg,.....	May 12, 1875.
MARYLAND,.....	Jacob H. Medairy,.....	Baltimore,.....	July 31, 1783.
MASSACHUSETTS,.....	Charles H. Titus,.....	Boston,.....	July 30, 1733.
MICHIGAN,.....	Ellery I. Garfield,.....	Detroit,.....	Sept. 17, 1844.
MINNESOTA,.....	Azariah T. C. Pierson,.....	Saint Paul,.....	Feb. 23, 1853.
MISSISSIPPI,.....	J. L. Power,.....	Jackson,.....	July 27, 1818.
MISSOURI,.....	John D. Vincil,.....	St. Louis,.....	Feb. 22, 1821.
MONTANA,.....	Cornelius Hedges,.....	Helena,.....	Jan. 24, 1866.
NEBRASKA,.....	Wm. R. Bowen,.....	Omaha,.....	Sept. 23, 1857.
NEVADA,.....	Samuel W. Chubbuck,.....	Gold Hill,.....	Jan. 16, 1865.
NEW BRUNSWICK,.....	William F. Bunting,.....	Saint John,.....	Oct. 10, 1867.
NEW HAMPSHIRE,.....	George P. Cleaves,.....	Concord,.....	July 8, 1789.
NEW JERSEY,.....	Joseph H. Hough,.....	Trenton,.....	Dec. 18, 1786.
NEW MEXICO,.....	David J. Miller,.....	Santa Fe,.....	Aug. 7, 1877.
NEW YORK,.....	James M. Austin,.....	New York,.....	Sept. 5, 1781.
NORTH CAROLINA,.....	Donald W. Bain,.....	Raleigh,.....	Jan. 14, 1771.
NOVA SCOTIA,.....	Benjamin Curren,.....	Halifax,.....	June 21, 1866.
OHIO,.....	John D. Caldwell,.....	Cincinnati,.....	Jan. 4, 1808.
OREGON,.....	Rockey P. Earhart,.....	Portland,.....	Sept. 15, 1851.
PENNSYLVANIA,.....	John Thomson,.....	Philadelphia,.....	—, 1754.
PRINCE EDW'D ISLAND,.....	B. Wilson Higgs,.....	Charlottetown,.....	Oct. 31, 1874.
QUEBEC,.....	John H. Isaacson,.....	Montreal,.....	Oct. 20, 1869.
RHODE ISLAND,.....	Edwin Baker,.....	Providence,.....	June 27, 1791.
SOUTH CAROLINA,.....	Charles Inglesby,.....	Charleston,.....	Aug. 20, 1737.
TENNESSEE,.....	John Frizzell,.....	Nashville,.....	Oct. 14, 1794.
TEXAS,.....	George H. Bringhurst,.....	Houston,.....	Dec. 20, 1837.
UTAH,.....	Christopher Diehl,.....	Salt Lake City,.....	Jan. 16, 1872.
VERMONT,.....	Henry Clark,.....	Rutland,.....	Oct. 14, 1794.
VIRGINIA,.....	William B. Isaacs,.....	Richmond,.....	May 6, 1777.
WASHINGTON,.....	Thomas M. Reed,.....	Olympia,.....	Dec. 9, 1858.
WEST VIRGINIA,.....	Odell S. Long,.....	Wheeling,.....	April 12, 1865.
WISCONSIN,.....	John W. Woodhull,.....	Milwaukee,.....	Dec. 18, 1843.
WYOMING,.....	Wm. G. Tonn,.....	Evanston,.....	Dec. 15, 1874.

ABROAD.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC, GRAND ORIENT OF,.....	Jose J. Montero,.....	Buenos Aires.
BELGIUM, SUPREME COUNCIL OF,.....	Léopold Riche,.....	Brussels.
BRAZIL, GRAND ORIENT OF,.....	Alex. Freire do Amaral,.....	Rio de Janeiro.
CHILE, GRAND LODGE OF,.....	Jose Maldonado,.....	Valparaiso.
EGYPT, GRAND ORIENT OF,.....	F. F. Oddi,.....	Alexandria.
GERMANY, GRAND LODGE OF,.....	Fried. Wilh. Léop. Nikisch,.....	Berlin.
HUNGARY, GRAND ORIENT OF,.....	Anthony Richter,.....	Budapest.
ITALY, GRAND ORIENT OF,.....	Luigi Castellazzo,.....	Rome.
PERU, GRAND LODGE OF,.....	Charles Prince,.....	Lima.
PORTUGAL, GRAND ORIENT OF LUSITANIA,.....	A. M. da Cunha Bellem,.....	Lisbon.
PRUSSIA, { MOTHER NATIONAL GRD. LODGE,.....	Heinrich W. T. F. Berggold,.....	Berlin.
PRUSSIA, { ROYAL YORK GRAND LODGE,.....	Carl August Bouché,.....	Berlin.
SPAIN, GRAND ORIENT OF,.....	Pedro Pablo Castañera,.....	Madrid.

GRAND OFFICERS

Elected since the Organization of the Grand Lodge of California,

On the 18th day of April, A. L. 5850.

1850.

JONA. DRAKE STEVENSON, <i>Grand Master,</i>	* SASCHEL WOODS, <i>Jun. Grand Warden,</i>
JOHN ALLEN TUTT, <i>Dep. Grand Master,</i>	* LEVI STOWELL, <i>Grand Treasurer,</i>
CALEB FENNER, <i>Sen. Grand Warden,</i>	JOHN H. GIBON, <i>Grand Secretary.</i>

1851.

JOHN ALLEN TUTT, <i>Grand Master,</i>	* BENJ. S. OLDS, <i>Jun. Grand Warden,</i>
BENJ. DANIEL HYAM, <i>Dep. Grand Master,</i>	TOWNSEND A. THOMAS, <i>Grand Treasurer,</i>
* E. F. W. ELLIS, <i>Sen. Grand Warden,</i>	* LEVI STOWELL, <i>Grand Secretary.</i>

1852.

BENJ. DANIEL HYAM, <i>Grand Master,</i>	JOHN RANDOLPH McCONNELL, <i>J. G. Ward.</i>
CHAS. MORTON RADCLIFF, <i>Dep. Gr. Master,</i>	ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer,</i>
ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, <i>Sen. Gr'd Warden,</i>	* LEVI STOWELL, <i>Grand Secretary.</i>

1853.

CHA'S MORTON RADCLIFF, <i>Grand Master,</i>	* RICHARD F. KNOTT, <i>Jun. Gr. Warden,</i>
TOWNSEND A. THOMAS, <i>Dep. Gr. Master,</i>	ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer,</i>
JOHN RIGGS CRANDALL, <i>Sen. Gr. Warden,</i>	* LEVI STOWELL, <i>Grand Secretary.</i>

1854.

* WM. HENRY HOWARD, <i>Grand Master,</i>	* ROBERT N. WOOD, <i>Jun. Grand Warden,</i>
NATH'L GREENE CURTIS, <i>Dep. Gr. Master,</i>	ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer,</i>
RECTOR ELISHA COLE, <i>Sen. Gr. Warden,</i>	* LEVI STOWELL, <i>Grand Secretary.</i>

1855.

* WM. HENRY HOWARD, <i>Grand Master,</i>	SAMUEL A. MERRITT, <i>Jun. Grand Warden,</i>
TOWNSEND A. THOMAS, <i>Dep. Gr. Master,</i>	ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer,</i>
* JOHN A. RAYMOND, <i>Sen. Gr'd Warden,</i>	* LEVI STOWELL, <i>Grand Secretary.</i>

1856.

* WM. HENRY HOWARD, <i>Grand Master,</i>	PETER WILKINS RANDLE, <i>Jun. Gr. Warden,</i>
* JOHN A. RAYMOND, <i>Dep. Grand Master,</i>	ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer,</i>
* LEMUEL LYON, <i>Sen. Grand Warden,</i>	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, <i>Grand Secretary.</i>

1857.

NATH'L GREENE CURTIS, <i>Grand Master,</i>	* JOHN BAPTISTE BOPE, <i>Jun. Gr. Warden,</i>
* CHARLES MARSH, <i>Dep. Grand Master,</i>	ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer,</i>
AARON DAVIS PARK, <i>Sen. Grand Warden,</i>	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, <i>Grand Secretary.</i>

1858.

NATH'L GREENE CURTIS, <i>Grand Master,</i>	JAS. WITHERSPOON BICKNELL, <i>J. G. Ward.</i>
* PHILIP W. SHEPHEARD, <i>Dep. Gr. Master,</i>	ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer,</i>
WILLIAM McCORMICK, <i>Sen. Gr. Warden,</i>	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, <i>Grand Secretary.</i>

* Deceased.

1859.

NATH'L GREENE CURTIS, . . <i>Grand Master</i> ,	THOS. PORTER HAWLEY, <i>Jun. Gr. Warden</i> ,
* PHILIP W. SHEPHEARD, <i>Dep. Gr. Master</i> ,	ADDISON MARTIN, . . . <i>Grand Treasurer</i> ,
* EBENEZER LANE, . . <i>Sen. Grand Warden</i> ,	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .

1860.

NATH'L GREENE CURTIS, . . <i>Grand Master</i> ,	ALVINZA HAYWARD, <i>Jun. Grand Warden</i> ,
* PHILIP W. SHEPHEARD, <i>Dep. Gr. Master</i> ,	ADDISON MARTIN, . . . <i>Grand Treasurer</i> ,
WM. CALDWELL BELCHER, . . <i>S. Gr. Warden</i> ,	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .

1861.

JAS. LAWRENCE ENGLISH, <i>Grand Master</i> ,	CALEB ELISHA WILCOXON, <i>J. Gr. Warden</i> ,
WM. CALDWELL BELCHER, . . <i>D. Gr. Master</i> ,	* JAMES LAIDLEY, . . . <i>Grand Treasurer</i> .
* JOHN WM. HARVILLE, <i>Sen. Gr. Warden</i> ,	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, . . <i>Grand Secretary</i> .

1862.

WM. CALDWELL BELCHER, <i>Grand Master</i> ,	JOHN BANKSON HEWSON, <i>J. Gr. Warden</i> ,
GILBERT BURNET CLAIBORNE, <i>D. G. Master</i> ,	* JAMES LAIDLEY, . . . <i>Grand Treasurer</i> ,
* JOHN WM. HARVILLE, <i>Sen. Gr. Warden</i> ,	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, . . <i>Grand Secretary</i> .

1863.

WM. CALDWELL BELCHER, <i>Grand Master</i> ,	WM. ABRAHAM DAVIES, <i>Jun. Gr. Warden</i> .
GILBERT BURNET CLAIBORNE, <i>D. G. Master</i> ,	* JAMES LAIDLEY, . . <i>Grand Treasurer</i> .
LOUIS COHN, . . . <i>Senior Grand Warden</i> ,	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, . . <i>Grand Secretary</i> .

1864.

WM. CALDWELL BELCHER, <i>Grand Master</i> ,	ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, <i>Jun. Gr. Warden</i> ,
GILBERT BURNET CLAIBORNE, <i>D. G. Master</i> ,	* JAMES LAIDLEY, . . . <i>Grand Treasurer</i> ,
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1865.

GILBERT BURNET CLAIBORNE, <i>Gr. Master</i> ,	* HENRY HARE HARTLEY, <i>J. Gr. Warden</i> ,
WM. ABRAHAM DAVIES, <i>Dep. Gr. Master</i> ,	* JAMES LAIDLEY, . . . <i>Grand Treasurer</i> ,
ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, <i>Sen. Gr. Warden</i> ,	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, . . <i>Grand Secretary</i> .

1866.

GILBERT BURNET CLAIBORNE, <i>Gr. Master</i> ,	THOMAS BECK, . . <i>Junior Grand Warden</i> ,
* HENRY HARE HARTLEY, <i>D. Gr. Master</i> ,	* JAMES LAIDLEY, . . . <i>Grand Treasurer</i> ,
* WM. HENRY PETERSON, <i>S. Gr. Warden</i> ,	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .

1867.

WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, . . <i>Gr. Master</i> ,	LEONIDAS E. PRATT, <i>Jun. Grand Warden</i> ,
* HENRY HARE HARTLEY, <i>D. Gr. Master</i> ,	* JAMES LAIDLEY, . . . <i>Grand Treasurer</i> ,
THOMAS BECK, . . <i>Senior Grand Warden</i> ,	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .

1868.

* CHARLES MARSH, ... <i>Grand Master</i> ,	FRED'K FERDINAND BARSS, <i>J. G. Warden</i> .
LEONIDAS E. PRATT, <i>Dep. Grand Master</i> ,	* JAMES LAIDLEY, . . . <i>Grand Treasurer</i> ,
THEO. GUEVARA COCKRILL, <i>S. G. Warden</i> ,	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .

1869.

LEONIDAS E. PRATT, ... <i>Grand Master</i> ,	RICHARD DALE, . . <i>Junior Grand Warden</i> ,
ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, . . <i>Dep. Gr. Master</i> ,	* JAMES LAIDLEY, . . . <i>Grand Treasurer</i> ,
* JOHN SHERRILL WARD, <i>Sen. Gr. Warden</i> ,	ALEX. GURDON ABELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .

1870.

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ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, . . <i>Dep. Gr. Master</i> ,	* JAMES LAIDLEY, . . . <i>Grand Treasurer</i> ,
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1871.

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1872.

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1873.

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1874.

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 WM. BOYD PARKER, *Sen. Grand Warden*,

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1875.

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1876.

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 WM. SEWALL WELLS, *Sen. Gr. Warden*,

OLON WM. CRAIGUE, *Jun. Gr. Warden*,
 * JAMES LAIDLEY, ... *Grand Treasurer*,
 ALEX. GURDON ABELL, *Grand Secretary*.

1877.

JOHN MILLS BROWNE, ... *Grand Master*,
 CHARLES LOUIS WIGGIN, *Dep. G. Master*,
 WM. WILSON TRAYLOR, *Sen. G. Warden*,

WM. HENRY CRANE, ... *Jun. Gr. Warden*,
 MOSES KELLER, ... *Grand Treasurer*,
 ALEX. GURDON ABELL, *Grand Secretary*.

* Deceased.

Grand Lodge of California.

I, ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, Grand Secretary of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of California, do hereby certify that the following pages contain a true and faithful transcript of the proceedings of that body, at its Twenty-ninth Annual Communication—commenced at the City of San Francisco on Tuesday, the eighth day of October, A. L. 5878, and terminated on Saturday, the twelfth day of said month—and of the returns of the subordinate Lodges, together with other matters authorized to be published.



In Testimony Whereof

I have hereunto appended my official signature and have affixed the Seal of the Grand Lodge of the State of California, at the office of the Grand Secretary in the Masonic Temple, City of San Francisco, this fifteenth day of December, in the Year of Light, Five Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-eight.

Alex. G. Abell
Grand Sec.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

M.:W.:GRAND LODGE

OF,

Free and Accepted Masons

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

AT ITS

Twenty-Ninth Annual Communication,

HELD AT

The Masonic Temple, in the City of San Francisco:

COMMENCED ON

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8th, A. D. 1878, A. L. 5878,

AND TERMINATED ON

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12th, A. D. 1878, A. L. 5878.

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Grand Lodge

OF

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS

OF THE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

Twenty-ninth Annual Communication.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of California commenced its twenty-ninth Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the city of San Francisco, on Tuesday, the eighth day of October, A. L. 5878, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Upon calling the roll of members there were found present the following—

GRAND OFFICERS :

The M. W.	JOHN MILLS BROWNE, ...	<i>Grand Master;</i>
" R. W.	WILLIAM WILSON TRAYLOR, ...	<i>Senior Grand Warden;</i>
" R. W.	WILLIAM HENRY CRANE, ...	<i>Junior Grand Warden;</i>
" V. W.	MOSES HELLER, ...	<i>Grand Treasurer;</i>
" V. W.	ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, ...	<i>Grand Secretary;</i>
" W.	THOMAS GUARD, ...	<i>Grand Orator;</i>
" W.	JOHN WERNER SHAEFFER, ...	<i>Grand Lecturer;</i>
" W.	HENRY SUMNER SMITH, ...	<i>Grand Marshal;</i>
" W.	SAMUEL GRAVES, ...	<i>Grand Bible Bearer;</i>
" W.	WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, ...	<i>Grand Standard Bearer;</i>
" W.	BENJAMIN BRUNDAGE, ...	<i>Grand Sword Bearer;</i>
" W.	JOHN SWEANY, ...	<i>Senior Grand Deacon;</i>
" W.	THEODORE REISER, ...	<i>Senior Grand Steward;</i>
" W.	WARREN GUILFORD HOLMES, ...	<i>Grand Pursuivant;</i>
" W.	SAMUEL DAVID MAYER, ...	<i>Grand Organist;</i>
" W.	JAMES OGLESBY, ...	<i>Grand Tyler;</i>

PAST GRAND OFFICERS :

The M. W.	JONATHAN DRAKE STEVENSON, ...	<i>Past Grand Master;</i>
" M. W.	NATHANIEL GREENE CURTIS, ...	<i>Past Grand Master;</i>
" M. W.	WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER, ...	<i>Past Grand Master;</i>
" M. W.	WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, ...	<i>Past Grand Master;</i>
" M. W.	LEONIDAS E. PRATT, ...	<i>Past Grand Master;</i>
" M. W.	ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, ...	<i>Past Grand Master;</i>
" M. W.	GEORGE CLEMENT PERKINS, ...	<i>Past Grand Master;</i>
" R. W.	ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, ...	<i>Past Senior Grand Warden;</i>
" R. W.	LOUIS COHN, ...	<i>Past Senior Grand Warden;</i>
" R. W.	THEODORE GUEVARA COCKRILL, ...	<i>Past Senior Grand Warden;</i>
" R. W.	WILLIAM SEWALL WELLS, ...	<i>Past Senior Grand Warden;</i>
" R. W.	JAMES WITHERSPOON BICKNELL, ...	<i>Past Junior Grand Warden;</i>
" R. W.	CALEB ELISHA WILCOXON, ...	<i>Past Junior Grand Warden;</i>
" R. W.	FREDERICK FERDINAND BARSS, ...	<i>Past Junior Grand Warden;</i>
" R. W.	RICHARD DALE, ...	<i>Past Junior Grand Warden;</i>
" R. W.	JACOB HART NEFF, ...	<i>Past Junior Grand Warden;</i>

And the representatives of one hundred and seventy-three chartered Lodges, with delegates from six Lodges under dispensation and a large number of Past Masters entitled to seats.

The Grand Master filled the necessary three of the vacant places by the appointment, *pro tempore*, of

The W.	GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES, ...	to be <i>Assistant Grand Secretary;</i>
" W.	ROBERT CHIDLEY BRODER, ...	to be <i>Junior Grand Deacon;</i>
" W.	CLAY WEBSTER TAYLOR, ...	to be <i>Junior Grand Steward.</i>

There being a sufficient representation, the Grand Lodge of California was opened in *Ample Form*, with music by the choir and prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The reading of the proceedings of the last Annual Communication was dispensed with, the members being furnished with printed copies thereof.

The Grand Master announced the appointment of the following committee—

<i>On Credentials :.....</i>	{	Bro. George Tuttle Grimes,
		“ Benjamin Franklin Bagley,
		“ Thomas Hugh Steel,
		“ Alexander Carmichael,
		“ August Christopher Busch.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Lodge.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Tuesday, October 8th, A. L. 5878. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at two o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

Bro. GEORGE T. GRIMES, from the Committee on Credentials, reported the following officers and representatives of chartered Lodges, delegates from Lodges under dispensation, and Past Masters by service within this jurisdiction, as being present and entitled to seats, viz., from

<i>California,.....</i> No. 1,.	{	FRANKLIN HENRY DAY, Master and Past Master ;	} Past Masters.
		GEORGE JOHNSON, Senior Warden ;	
		ALISON VAN DENBURGH, Junior Warden ;	
		ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL,	
		WILLIAM THOMAS REYNOLDS,	
		GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES,	
<i>Western Star, . . .</i> No. 2,....	{	HENRY SUMNER SMITH,	}
		WILLIAM WILSON TRAYLOR,	
<i>Tehama,.....</i> No. 3, .	{	ISAAC STANWOOD LOCKE,	}
<i>Benicia,.....</i> No. 5, .	{	CLAY WEBSTER TAYLOR, Master.	}
<i>Tuolumne,.....</i> No. 8,....	{	WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, Master and Past Master ;	}
<i>Corinthian,.....</i> No. 9, .	{	FREDERICK CONRAD STOBER, Senior Warden.	}
<i>San Jose,.....</i> No. 10,....	{	WILLIAM SEWALL WELLS, } Past Masters.	}
<i>Yount,.....</i> No. 12,....	{	JOHN FRASIER,	}
	{	ALVIN BACON PRESTON, Master and Past Master.	}
	{	LEMUEL TRESCOTT CRANE, Master and Past Master ;	}
	{	WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER, Past Master.	}
	{	WILLIAM ALEXANDER JANUARY, Past Master.	}
	{	HENRY HAY KNAPP, Past Master.	}

- Nevada*,... No. 13, . { JOHN CALDWELL, Master and Past Master ;
THOMAS HUBBARD CASWELL, } Past Masters.
IANTHIS JEROME ROLFE, }
- Temple*,... No. 14, ... JOHN JACOB STOFEN, Senior Warden.
- Eureka*,... No. 16, . { EDWARD FREDERICK HOLLE, Master and P. Master ;
JACOB HART NEFF, } Past Masters .
ORRIN WHITCOMB HOLLENBECK, }
- Parfaite Union*, ... No. 17, . { PHILIPPE SABATIE, Master ;
FREDERICK LA GRANGE, Senior Warden.
- Mountain Shade*, ... No. 18, ... BENJAMIN PAULY, Master and Past Master.
- San Joaquin*,... No. 19, . { WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, } Past Masters.
ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, }
- Washington*,... No. 20, . { EDWIN GLOVER, Master and Past Master ;
ROBERT KERR WICK, Senior Warden ;
NATHANIEL GREENE CURTIS, } Past Masters.
HAMILTON CARTER HARRISON, }
JUSTIN GATES, }
- Hawaiian*,... No. 21, ... ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, Representative.
- Occidental*,... No. 22, . { JAMES KNOX POLK WILSON, Master ;
BRILSFORD PEASE FLINT, Junior Warden ;
JAMES LOUGHEAD BLAIKIE, } Past Masters.
HARRISON JONES, }
CHARLES LYMAN, }
JOHN ELBRIDGE PURDY, }
- Madison*,... No. 23, ... ALEXANDER BUCHANAN BRADY, Past Master and Rep.
- Georgetown*,... No. 25, ... GEORGE WASHINGTON SIMPERS, Master.
- El Dorado*,... No. 26, . { ALBERT JAY LOWRY, Master and Past Master ;
FREDERICK FERDINAND BARSS, Past Master.
- Trinity*,... No. 27, ... JOHN WILLIAM PHILBROOK, Past Master and Rep.
- Columbia*,... No. 28, ... GIDEON WING, Master and Past Master.
- Golden Gate*,... No. 30, . { HENRY FOX STIVERS, Master ;
GEORGE JOHN HOBE, }
WILLIAM SYDNEY PHELPS, }
EDWARD MORTIMER COTTRELL, }
ADOLPHUS AUGUSTUS HOBE, }
SAMUEL HENRY KENT, } Past Masters.
JOHN OSBORNE DOANE, }
THOMAS ROBB HENSELWOOD, }
WILLIAM STEBBINS BOWNE, }
SAMUEL HERVEY, }
- Mokelumne*,... No. 31, ... RUSSELL FAIRBANKS MCCARTY, Master and P. Master.
- Ophir*,... No. 33, ... GEORGE LEWIS TRUE, Master and Past Master.
- San Diego*,... No. 35, ... WILLIAM WALLACE BOWERS, Senior Warden.
- Saint John's*,... No. 37, ... JOHN PASHBURG, Master and Past Master.
- Santa Cruz*,... No. 38, ... THOMAS AMNER, Senior Warden.
- Yuba*, ... No. 39, ... THOMAS HUGH STEEL, Master and Past Master.
- Sacramento*,... No. 40, . { EDMUND CLEMMENT ATKINSON, Junior Warden ;
WILLIAM MONROE PETRIE, Past Master.
- Los Angeles*,... No. 42, ... HENRY SAYRE ORME, Master and Past Master.

<i>Hiram</i> ,.....	No. 43, .	{ ANDREW JACKSON WARF, Past Master and Rep.; WILLIAM HENRY CLARK, Past Master.
		{ MICHAEL JAMES KEATING, Master and Past Master ; HARVEY MATHEWS, Junior Warden ;
<i>Mount Moriah</i> ,.....	No. 44, .	{ JOHN WERNER SHAEFFER, } ROBERT WILSON MURPHY, } Past Masters. PETER BUCK NAGLE, }
<i>Crescent</i> ,.....	No. 45, .	{ JOSEPH LINCOLN LAKE, Representative ; WILLIAM HARRISON WOODBURY, Past Master.
<i>Texas</i> ,....	No. 46, .	CHARLES GUY CARGILL, Master and Past Master.
<i>Michigan City</i> ,.....	No. 47, .	CHARLES SHORE MONTGOMERY, Senior Warden.
<i>Forbestown</i> ,.....	No. 50, .	NORMAN SILL WILLIAMS, Senior Warden.
<i>Illinoistown</i> ,.....	No. 51, .	WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE STOREY, Master and P. Master.
<i>Suisun</i> ,.....	No. 55, .	{ GEORGE GORDON GARDNER, Master ; STEPHEN KIRBY NURSE, Past Master.
<i>Folcano</i> ,.....	No. 56, .	LAUCHLIN McLAINE, Master and Past Master.
<i>Santa Rosa</i> ,.....	No. 57, .	ELIJAH THOMPSON FARMER, Master.
<i>Union</i> ,.....	No. 58, .	RICHARD DALE, Past Master and Representative.
<i>Gravel Range</i> ,.....	No. 59, .	JOSIAH PERKINS BROWN, Master and Past Master.
<i>Plumas</i> ,.....	No. 60, .	ROBERT NORSEN SMITH, Senior Warden.
<i>Live Oak</i> ,.....	No. 61, .	{ JOHN CARLETON MARSH, Master ; GEORGE EDWARD BENNISON, Junior Warden.
<i>George Washington</i> ,.....	No. 62, .	CHARLES FREDERICK WADE, Master.
<i>Natoma</i> ,.....	No. 64, .	CHRISTIAN LUDWIG ECKLON, Past Master and Rep.
<i>Amador</i> ,.....	No. 65, .	WALLACE KAY, Master and Past Master.
<i>Morning Star</i> ,.....	No. 68, .	{ BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BAGLEY, Master ; GEORGE ALEXANDER MCKENZIE, Past Master.
<i>Enterprise</i> ,.....	No. 70, .	CALEB ELISHA WILCOXON, Past Master and Rep.
<i>Nebraska</i> ,.....	No. 71, .	GEORGE WASHINGTON SWETT, Master and P. Master.
<i>Bear Mountain</i> ,.....	No. 76, .	WILLIAM ANDREWS KELLY, Master and Past Master.
<i>Petaluma</i> ,.....	No. 77, .	{ WILLIAM EMORY COX, Master and Past Master ; JOSEPH ALONZO WISWELL, Junior Warden.
<i>Colaveras</i> ,.....	No. 78, .	WILLIAM ANDERSON WALLACE, Past Master and Rep.
<i>Humboldt</i> ,.....	No. 79, .	SILAS MONTGOMERY BUCK, Past Master and Rep.
<i>Ione</i> ,.....	No. 80, .	WILLIAM ARTHUR BENNETTS, Master.
<i>Yolo</i> ,.....	No. 81, .	THOMAS HALL, Junior Warden.
<i>Rising Star</i> ,.....	No. 83, .	{ ERSKINE ALLEN, Master ; AMBROSE HALL COWDEN, Past Master.
<i>Vesper</i> ,.....	No. 84, .	RODERICK HENRY BEIRCE, Master.
<i>Saint Mark's</i> ,.....	No. 85, .	THOMAS WILLIAM EASTON, Junior Warden.
<i>Saint Louis</i> ,.....	No. 86, .	ALEXANDER CARMICHAEL, Master and Past Master.
		{ ISAAC SHERMAN HALSEY, Master and Past Master ; CHRISTIAN THEODORE B. HALLIN, Senior Warden ;
<i>Naval</i> ,.....	No. 87, .	GEORGE WILLIAM SIMONTON, Junior Warden ; JOHN MILLS BROWNE, Past Master.
<i>Quitman</i> ,.....	No. 88, .	JAMES REDINGTON, Master and Past Master.
<i>Rose's Bar</i> ,.....	No. 89, .	THOMAS HENRY MCFADDEN, Representative.

<i>North Star</i> ,.....	No. 91,...	CHARLES HENRY FLETCHER, Representative.
<i>Acacia</i> ,.....	No. 92,...	COMMODORE PERRY YOUNG, Master and Past Master.
<i>Saint Helena</i> ,.....	No. 93,...	DIMSDILL BURR CARVER, Master and Past Master.
<i>Henry Clay</i> ,.....	No. 95,...	JOHN ELISHA RUSSELL, Master.
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<i>Fidelity</i> ,.....	No. 120, .	{ ISAAC STRASSBURGER, Master; JACOB LUCHSINGER, Senior Warden; LOUIS COHN, MOSES HELLER, EMANUEL EMANUEL, GEORGE BARSTOW, } Past Masters.
<i>Ionic</i> ,.....	No. 121,...	JOHN GOULD BISBEE, Master and Past Master.
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 WILLIAM VALE, Senior Warden ;
 GEORGE HOWARD THOMPSON, Junior Warden ;
 THOMAS KYLE, Past Master.
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- Abell*, ... No. 146, ... GEORGE MCCOWAN, Senior Warden.
- Lassen*, ... No. 149, . { JOHN CHANY PARTRIDGE, Master and Past Master ;
 WILLIAM HENRY CRANE, Past Master.
- Molino*, ... No. 150, ... WILLIAM HENRY MAYS, Representative.
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 CHARLES HENRY WETHERWAX, Junior Warden ;
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 GEORGE BURNHAM, } Past Masters.
 JOHN PETER WONDERLICH, }
- Woodland*, ... No. 156, . { JOHN LOWRY SIMPSON, Master ;
 HUMPHREY HICKS, Senior Warden.
- Gibsonville*, ... No. 158, ... CHARLES OLIVER McQUESTEN, Master and Past Master.
- Pilot Hill*, ... No. 160, ... CHARLES HENRY JONES, Sen. Warden and Past Master.
- Keystone*, ... No. 161, ... PETER STERLING ROBERTSON, Master and Past Master.
- Harmony*, ... No. 164, ... AUGUST CHRISTOPHER BUSCH, Master and Past Master.
- Excelsior*, ... No. 166, ... GEORGE CLINTON RANDALL, Master.
- Alameda*, ... No. 167, . { CALEB SCOTT HALEY, Master and Past Master ;
 CONRAD PRAG, Junior Warden.
- San Mateo*, ... No. 168, ... JONATHAN WHITE, Representative.
- Mission*, ... No. 169, . { COLUMBUS WATERHOUSE, Master and Past Master ;
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 JOSEPH McMATH, Junior Warden ;
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- Drytown*,.....No. 174, . { WILLIAM TIPPETT, Senior Warden ;
HENRY BURCHELL, Past Master.
- Antioch*,.....No. 175,....JOHN CONLIN O'BRIEN, Representative.
- Aztlan*,.....No. 177,....ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, Representative.
- Phoenix*,.....No. 178,....JOHN CALEB KING, Master and Past Master.
- Mendocino*,.....No. 179,....FREDERICK HALLING, Master.
- Arcturus*,.....No. 180,....MARCUS DYATHEKA GOSHEN, Master and Past Master.
- Russian River*,...No. 181,....GEORGE HENRY KENNEDY, Master and Past Master.
- Meridian*,.....No. 182,....OLIVER PERRY BURGETT, Master and Past Master.
- Sierra Valley*,....No. 184, . { EDMUND DANFORTH, Master ;
WILLIAM CROMWELL LEMMON, Past Master.
- Claiborne*,.....No. 185,....GEORGE SHEPPARD SPAULDING, P. Master and Rep.
- Evening Star*,....No. 186,....WILLIAM KISE DONEY, Master.
- Keith*,.....No. 187,....JOHN MICHAEL EINFALT, Master and Past Master.
- Oakland*,.....No. 188, ..ALVAH KITREDGE CLARK, Master.
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- Northern Light*,...No. 190,....JAMES FLETCHER WINSELL, Master.
- Marin*,.....No. 191, . { THOMAS JEFFERSON BOWERS, Master and P. Master ;
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PETER KIMBALL AUSTIN, Junior Warden ;
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- San Simeon*,.....No. 196,....ORANGE SPENCER PALMER, Master.
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- Hartley*,.....No. 199,....JOHN WILLIAM MACKALL, Master.
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- Salinas*,.....No. 204, . { JOHN KING ALEXANDER, Master and Past Master ;
CARLISLE STEWART ABBOTT, Past Master.
- Stanislaus*,.....No. 206,....ADOLPHUS HEWEL, Master.
- Anaheim*,.....No. 207, . { DAVID EVEY, Master and Past Master ;
THEODORE REISER, Past Master.
- Rio Vista*,.....No. 208,....JAMES JOHNSON, Master.
- King David's*,....No. 209,....JOHN HUBBARD HOLLISTER, Representative.
- Friendship*,.....No. 210,....BENNETT PULVERMAN, P. Master and Representative.
- So. San Francisco*, No. 212, . { THEODORE HANFORD BLOOMER, Master ;
ELIAS C. HARE, Senior Warden.
- Bodega*,.....No. 213,....NELSON REED SHAW, Past Master and Representative.
- San Buenaventura*, No. 214,....JONATHAN DOAN HINES, Master and Past Master.
- Oak Grove*,.....No. 215,....ROBERT MCGOUN, Past Master.
- Doric*,.....No. 216, . { WILLIAM MYERS, Master ;
SAMUEL SIGMUND ARNHEIM, Past Master.

<i>Speranza Italiana</i> , No. 219, .	{ CARLO BALZARINI, Master ; GUGLIELMO BARRETTA, Past Master.
<i>Downey</i> , ... No. 220, .	{ JOSEPH WILLIAM VENABLE, Master ; CYRUS CURTIS CUMMINGS, Past Master.
<i>Inyo</i> , ... No. 221, ...	HENRY MORSE ISAACS, Master and Past Master.
<i>Granite</i> , ... No. 222, ...	JOHN SWEENEY, Master.
<i>Bakersfield</i> No. 224, ...	BENJAMIN BRUNDAGE, Master and Past Master.
<i>Hayward</i> , ... No. 226, .	{ JOSEPH B. FRIETAS, Master and Past Master ; HENRY ELFORD LEA, JAMES WITHERSPOON BICKNELL, } Past Masters.
<i>Solano</i> , ... No. 229, .	{ FRANK DOUGLAS MEAD, Master ; FRANK WORTHY CUSHING, Past Master.
<i>North Butte</i> , ... No. 230, ...	MARCUS JAMES BIGELOW, Master.
<i>Janesville</i> , ... No. 232, ...	JEREMIAH BOND, Senior Warden.
<i>Calistoga</i> , ... No. 233, ...	WILLIAM NELSON HARLEY, Master.
<i>Hope</i> , ... No. 234, ...	WILLIAM EUGENE MCNIEL, Senior Warden.
<i>Surprise Valley</i> , ... No. 235, ...	WARD SPOONER STEVENS, Representative.
<i>Hill's Ferry</i> , ... No. 236, ...	JOHN LEANDER CRITTENDEN, Master.
<i>Guadalupe</i> , ... No. 237, ...	JACOB JOSHUA EDDLEMAN, Master and Past Master.
<i>Tyre</i> , ... No. 238, .	{ HENRY LEONARD NOYES, Junior Warden ; ALEXANDER GIBSON OLIVER, Past Master.
<i>Pescadero</i> , ... No. 239, ...	WILLIAM HENRY GARDINER, Senior Warden.
<i>Equality</i> , ... No. 240, ...	JOSEPH BAILEY COOKE, Master and Past Master.
<i>Magnolia</i> , ... No. 242, ...	ADDISON HERVEY ORR, Master and Past Master.
<i>Eucalyptus</i> , ... No. 243, .	{ JOEL RUSSELL, Representative ; JAMES DAVIS AUSTIN, ADAM CHARLES BLOOMER, } Past Masters.
<i>Alcatraz</i> , ... No. 244, .	{ CHARLES WESLEY GILBERT, Master ; ALBERT ATWATER MCKEEN, Junior Warden.
<i>Laurel</i> , ... No. 245, ...	LEWIS LEONARD BOWERS, Master and Past Master.
<i>Pomona</i> , ... No. 246, ...	WILLIAM THOMAS MARTIN, Master and Past Master.
<i>Fresno</i> , ... U. D., ...	ANGUS MARION CLARK, Delegate.
<i>Alturus</i> , ... U. D., ...	GEORGE HORACE KNIGHT, Delegate.
<i>Greenville</i> , ... U. D., ...	ALEXANDER THOM, Delegate and Past Master.
<i>Adin</i> , ... U. D., ...	ELISHA PARKER GRUBBS, Delegate and Past Master.
<i>Brotherhood</i> , ... U. D., ...	JOHN ORR, Delegate.
<i>Bodie</i> , ... U. D., ...	SAMUEL B. FERGUSON, Delegate.

Which report was concurred in and the brethren therein named were admitted to seats.

The Grand Master then delivered his Annual Address to the Grand Lodge, as follows :—

BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE OF CALIFORNIA :—

In presenting a third annual message, in which will appear the most important of my official acts during the year, exhibiting the general condition of Masonry within the jurisdiction and recommending certain legislation, I do not propose to deal in views of impracticable and impossible conditions, but in facts, unpleasant facts though they may be.

The defense of Masonry may be safely left to itself, while its beauties and attractions, either mystical, sentimental, or social, will have a masterly portrayal in the impassioned eloquence of our brother, the Grand Orator. He will bring flowers, whose color and fragrance will enrapture the senses. I give you fruit—the half-ripened with the mellowed—the savory with the unpalatable.

Faults may be found in the best systems, and irregularities exist in the best methods. Men do things in opposition to original resolution, and when done are astonished at the act. Men, however excellent in goodness, have moments of weakness—moments when the clearness of their moral perceptions is clouded. So societies, like individuals, are purer some days than others.

Certain Masons have erroneous ideas as to the true intent of practical Masonry, and these ideas, when entertained by the outer world, become, in its estimation, facts. Now it is not a fact that it is a system of benefits and endowments, that it is a membership to promote business interests, or that in any way its workings recognize its receipts as loans, from which a proportionate benefit, in manner of a return, may be derived. It is purely and simply a system of practical charity in its highest sense, disbursing its funds for the relief of the poor and suffering, without specific amount or defined allowance, but corresponding in sums to the actual want.

It is not a fact that it is a club or place merely of social gathering, an assemblage of boon companions for conviviality or selfish gratification. It is a companionship of brothers, united by mystic bonds, which, while affording gratification to the social feelings, finds new motives and added obligations to rectitude of life, and to the practice of the genuineness of benevolence: a society for instruction, for the promotion of public and private virtues, for the encouragement of social improvement in every form, for the enhancement and refinement of common life, and for the advocacy of reformatory schemes with intent to cope successfully with social mischief.

It is not a fact that it is co-equal with, or takes the place of, religion. It is a perfect system of morality, of no nationality, and, as such, is the conservator of religion. It progresses with the highest civilization, and, by its propagation of human sympathy, unites men of all nations in one common bond of amity. Masonry has no creed but faith; it cherishes hope and fears not, and employs charity in place of persecution. Although discountenanced by suspicion, and excommunicated by jealousy, it continues to be recognized as a steadfast and powerful instrument for the promotion of peace and good will among men.

There is a popular belief that Masons, when acting as judges, jurors, or citizens, frequently permit the guilty members of the Craft to escape such justice as they would measure to those not members of the Order. An eminent officer of the government addressed me on this subject, and although believing that such conduct was in opposition to the law of Masonry, yet he had no faith that it was adopted by many as the rule for their guidance. Not long since one of the Craft was tried in this State for murder. The evidence adduced was such as would authorize conviction, yet the jury failed to agree, nine being in favor of a verdict for murder in the first degree, and three for it in the second degree. Of the nine, four were Masons—of the three, two were Masons; and the public generally believed that the disagreement was occasioned by Masonic influence in behalf of the accused, because he was a Mason. If the brothers who adhered to the lesser finding were controlled by the fact simply that the accused was a Mason, then it is hardly necessary to inform you that they failed to do their duty as jurors, and had no precedent for such action in Masonic law.

Masonry acknowledges the supremacy of the government, enforces respect for the civil magistrates, and enjoins upon its followers an obedience to law, to be exemplary in the discharge of civic duties, and to be quiet and peaceable citizens. It does not array itself against law, or seek, however remotely, to shield the guilty from punishment.

It has its own trials, and convicts offenders who have been acquitted in civil courts by reason of legal or verbal technicalities; and, while it exercises, as far as practicable, a sympathizing equity, it exacts, when the occasion demands, a rigid justice. There is no condonation of crime in Masonry. One is first a citizen, then a Mason. Bad citizens make bad Masons. Good Masons are always good citizens. They recognize their duties to society as paramount, and are aware that the general welfare reaches them as well as others; that, as all is more than a part, their duties as good citizens to the common community are among their primary obligations; and that support to the laws and the punishment of law-breaking is alike expected, irrespective of the professions of the offenders. It is time that less-informed Masons and the non-Masonic community should be told that neither judge nor jury, as Masons, have a right to avert a merited punishment from a guilty Mason, or in any civil procedure to have their verdicts influenced in favor of a party because he is a Mason. This is not Masonry, and if it were, then Masonry would be justly doomed.

There is a disposition manifested by some Lodges to accumulate money, apparently for the sake of accumulation, and to avoid, as far as circumstances will permit, its disbursement in the care of the sick and burial of the dead. If the duty can be performed by others upon whom the recipient may have no claims, it is most willingly acquiesced in; the motive in such instances being how to avoid doing it. This is an unpleasant fact, but its truth cannot be truthfully denied. I fail to understand the object of our institution, if it be only to exhibit its principles in words, rather than in administering to each other's necessities unselfishly. The Persians say: "I consider him as my friend who takes me by the hand in the season of adversity and distress." This is Masonry—the other is not. Lodges should care for their own, and see that their burdens be not imposed upon others. Accumulate as much as you desire, but make the accumulation for the purpose of doing the most good. If the treasury be exhausted, then have recourse to personal donations; if this be impracticable, then surrender your charter. The suffering will suffer, and the dead will remain unburied, if dependent only upon Masonic professions. The truth often hurts, but pain is frequently employed to cure a diseased numbness. You who especially dislike the veneration of Masonry are willing to receive the truth.

The meagre attendance at the funeral of a brother, which not unfrequently happens, is another deplorable fact. This remark is applicable mainly to Masons who reside in large communities. To pay the last sad tribute of respect to a deceased brother, to evince to his family and friends the estimation had of his character and the regret experienced at his loss, and to exhibit to the public that the brotherhood performs that which it professes, are duties not to be omitted without injury to the Fraternity. It may necessitate some inconvenience; it requires a little time to accompany the departed brother to his resting-place, there to cast the evergreen and give the farewell; but the inconvenience will soon be forgotten, and the time will not be regretted, in the consciousness of having done unto him that which you would have done unto you when the ending comes. To honor the dead is commendable; to ignore the dead is lamentable. Masonry inculcates the first, and condemns the last.

Of the thirty-two Masonic districts, reports have been received from the Inspectors of the fifth, sixth, eighth, ninth, tenth, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, eighteenth, nineteenth, twenty-first, twenty-third, twenty-fifth, twenty-sixth, twenty-ninth, thirtieth, and thirty-second; and to these Inspectors, my grateful recognition of their prompt compliance with the regulation exacting the report, is now made. In this giving of thanks to those who have favored me with the result of their inspectorship, I am again compelled to express my regrets for the absence of other greatly wished-for reports. It is unnecessary to reiterate that which has been said on the subject in my former messages, since the necessity for complying with the regulation is evidently ignored and my request unheeded. I take the oppor-^a

nity, however, to recommend that Inspectors be required to forward to the Grand Master, on or before the first day of September in each year, a report, in which shall appear the exact condition of every Lodge under their supervision, in the matter of working, finance, keeping of books, etc., together with such observations and suggestions as the circumstances will warrant; and that such reports shall appear in the printed proceedings.

From the reports presented there is a satisfactory exhibit, with some exceptions, of the financial state, method of work, of transacting business, and of keeping of books. Singularly and sadly, considering the nature of our institution, the unity of strength, in one instance, has been supplanted by a dangerous weakness resulting from the presence of rancorous bitterness.

Mention is made that in three Lodges no minute-book had been kept, and, in consequence of having a Secretary who did not attend the meetings, an irregularity occurred in the record of the proceedings and the non-receipt for moneys, which obviously produced an embarrassment, or rather a confusion. The books will be kept in the future, and it is to be expected that experience will be efficacious in the selection of a competent and faithful Secretary. When this officer, either from indifference or inability, does not perform his duty, he should resign; and if he does not, then he ought to be displaced, and a suitable successor appointed. The welfare of a Lodge depends materially on the kind of Secretary it possesses; and if the brethren persist in electing an incompetent person, then the Master ought to correct the situation without delay, in which course he may be assured of receiving your approbation.

Mention is made of the inability to assemble the brethren for the purpose of instruction, although the officers manifest a desire to perfect themselves in the work. The brethren say that they are interested in the Lodge and wish for its prosperity, but have no time to devote to instruction; consequently, when called upon to fill a vacancy, they blunder through the work in a manner embarrassing to themselves and humiliating to the Lodge. A poor encouragement, surely, to zealous officers! Is it extraordinary that ability and interest give place to inefficiency and lukewarmness? The brethren probably consider that they have discharged their duty in annually electing officers whom they regard as responsible for the condition of the Lodge—forgetting that the officers elected, in the execution of duty, need their presence, if not for counsel, at least for the encouragement derived from their exhibition of constancy and zeal. Is it not evident that officers will be stimulated to acquire proficiency in the work if properly aided by the brethren? Until this have accomplishment, only in exceptional cases will the execution of the ritual have the correctness of the original and authorized text. Unless Lodge meetings are made interesting the number of non-affiliates will increase. If the subject is dwelt upon, the explanation is to be had in its importance.

Mention is made that certain Masters did not apply for the certificate of qualification requisite for installation. Had the information been received at the proper time you would have known the reason for this disobedience of your order. Now the fact can only be presented.

Mention is made of a Lodge remaining closed for two months on account of the absence of the Master. The question naturally arises—where was the Senior Warden? As a Lodge is always supposed to have a presiding officer, the absence of the Master is no excuse for its inaction.

Mention is made of a Lodge the proceedings of which had not been entered in the record book since 1868, said records not having been signed by the Master since that date. Again, the Lodge had no complete roll of members, and a few of the members had not signed the by-laws. You may well be astonished at this culpable negligence. Comment is unnecessary, but the inexcusable carelessness will have immediate correction.

Mention is made of the unmasonic conduct of a Lodge faction, and of the matter of Lodge incorporation, which will be treated farther on.

Mention is made of the use of proselytism. Surprise can hardly express the effect of the announcement, and yet the assertion. Masonry, in its sublime independence, has a principle peculiar to itself. It admits of no proselytes. It rules that its followers must not solicit adherents or seek converts by heralding its virtues; its good deeds, when public property, are a sufficient advertisement. Is a brother so misinformed of its principles that he fails to discriminate between right and wrong? Does he regard Masonry through a medium so discolored and distorted, not to know that the making of converts is a Masonic malpractice? Yet truth, it seems, compels the admission of the fact. It is prohibitive and admonitory, a denial direct, absolute, and complete. A brother can find ample work in correcting the errors and developing the capabilities of his Lodge, without seeking to disturb its foundations.

Mention is made of a case where an objection by a member having been made to the conferring of the second and third degrees, the degrees were conferred during the pendency of the objection. Here the Master, by a summary action, violated the provisions of Section 6, Article III, Part III, of the Constitution. This is inexcusable. Even if the statute was less emphatic in language, whenever an objection is made it should be regarded that the benefit of a doubt ought to be given to the Lodge. Such action, had it been officially reported at the time, would have occasioned discipline.

Mention is made of a Lodge in which a degree could not be conferred without the assistance of a neighboring Lodge; also, of a Lodge in which the Black Book has not been written up for three years. The Secretary of this Lodge receives no pay for his services. I have no remarks to offer in either case; the mere statement is quite enough.

An Inspector suggests the propriety of not compelling such officer to visit a Lodge which he had visited the year previously and found in good order, and knows that the same good condition continues; chiefly to obviate the expense thereby incurred from being paid by the Lodge. The suggestion is for your consideration.

In accordance with the recommendation of the brethren interested, a new district, numbered twelve, was formed, from Lodges numbers 142, 182, 205, 240, and 245. Lodges numbers 146 and 231 were placed in the thirteenth district; Lodges numbers 33 and 76 in the twentieth district; and Lodge number 237 in the twenty-eighth district.

I have, during the year, with the assistance of the Grand Lecturer, continued the system of holding district meetings, experience having convinced us of the manifest propriety of this method of acquiring information pertaining to the communities visited, and of affording instruction to the brethren present.

On March the twenty-third, 1878, a meeting of the twenty-fourth district was held at Gilroy, with a representation from four of the seven Lodges.

At San Diego, on the thirteenth of May, a meeting of the thirty-first district was held. As this district is restricted to two Lodges, one being *Azlan*, No. 177, at Prescott, Arizona Territory, the representation was confined to the members of *San Diego* Lodge, No. 35. The Lodge-room and furniture were tastefully decorated with flowers and evergreens, which, in their profusion, beauty, fragrance, and artistic blendings, seemed typical as an earnest of the welcome given by this harmonious, enthusiastic, efficient, sunny Lodge of the South.

In the thirtieth district, a meeting was held at Los Angeles, on May fourteenth, with a fine representation from each of the nine Lodges composing the district.

The meeting of the thirteenth district took place at Mendocino, on the eleventh of June, only one Lodge being represented. On the following day a special meeting was held with *Olaiborne* Lodge, No. 185, at Punta Arenas; and on June thirteenth

a visit was made to Duncan's Mills, in that district, to obtain information as to the feasibility of granting a dispensation for the formation of a Lodge at that place.

At Colusa, on the fifth of July, a meeting of the twelfth district took place, all the Lodges except one having a representation.

On the twentieth of July, at San Luis Obispo, a meeting of the twenty-eighth district was held. The large representation from every Lodge in the district, the enthusiasm displayed, the pronounced cordiality of reception, and the evident mutual enjoyment and satisfaction of the participants, made this one of the most pleasant meetings of the season.

The meeting of the sixteenth district was held at Napa, on the third of August. Each of the ten Lodges, save one, was well represented, and it is gratifying to mention the interest and harmony displayed.

At Yreka, on the twelfth of August, the meeting of the second district took place, when a representation was had from every Lodge.

On the seventeenth of August there was a meeting of the tenth district, at Chico, each Lodge, except one, being represented.

In the twenty-third district, the meeting was held in San Francisco, on the twentieth of September. As each of the fifteen Lodges sent representatives, the number present, combined with the interest shown, made this a most satisfactory visit.

In addition to the foregoing, many special visits have been made to particular Lodges.

I have now officially visited every one of the thirty-two districts of our large jurisdiction, including that at the Hawaiian Islands. Some of the districts have been visited thrice, many twice, but all once. When one considers the extent of the State of California, which embraces nearly as many square miles as are comprised in the New England and Middle States combined, or, in other words, a territory sufficiently large to form twenty-four States of the size of Massachusetts, one will better understand the number of miles traveled in making these visitations. If also it be considered that, to reach many of the localities, it required not only transit by water, but over rough and tediously long roads, one will better understand the fatigue endured and the time required. Fatigue and time, however, are not to be arrayed in opposition to the pleasure enjoyed, the instruction imparted, and the information obtained, resulting from an individual association with the brethren, listening to their grievances, reconciling differences, establishing closer relations, and having an exact knowledge of the community, its resources and probable future, in connection with the fraternity. It is true that the duty performed in making these visitations was self-imposed, yet it is a duty which I think pertains to the office of the Grand Master, and I sincerely trust that it may have continuance.

I could well employ the language used in my last message, regarding the fraternity throughout the jurisdiction, were it not a reiteration, so closely does the condition of the past year approximate to that of the present. The causes of financial, commercial, and industrial depression having been but partly removed, the amount of work done by the Lodges is not substantially different, although the indications are favorable for an immediate activity. The causes which interrupt the harmony, retard the growth, and impair the efficiency of Lodges, are almost invariable, and when looked for, where these unfortunate conditions exist, are always found (I have repeated them so often that you will have already anticipated the stereotyped phrases,) in lack of attendance and interest in Lodge labors, reckless introduction of material, persistent misuse and malignant abuse of the blackball, and non or tardy payment of dues. To these may be added a cause incident to the existence of a clique, or, if you will pardon the expression, a ring which saps the very vitality of the Lodge. Fortunately, this cause is not of prevalence, but it is certain that it does exist in a limited degree. A brother who has failed in his preferment for office, or who has a friend who has failed or has been rejected, or who cannot control the action of the Lodge

sufficiently well to suit his views, or, to use the old simile of PLATO, has not his horses sufficiently well in hand, feels aggrieved, and, in ventilating his grievances, attracts others similarly situated, who by nature, are intended to be always in opposition; and thus there becomes established a clique or ring, in political parlance, whose watchword, if taken from its actions, is rule or ruin. If they cannot rule they pursue a ruinous policy, as manifested by discord and inefficiency within, and unhappy reputation and reproach without. This is no exaggeration; such conditions do exist, but it is not Masonry. If it were, you would exclaim, Away with it! It has been said that the mother eagle compels her young ones to fly by putting a thorn into their nest. I know of nothing that would be more efficacious in increasing the number of non-affiliates than such Lodge management. This is written in a sad, as well as a condemnatory spirit; and, knowing the disastrous effects, it has occasioned many an anxious and regretful thought, and the strength of these reflections is "in being true to the truth." When such things are done in the name of Masonry, I am reminded of an illustration, by Saadi, in the Gulistan, which reads thus: "A man with a disagreeable voice was reading the Koran, aloud, when a holy man passing by asked what was his monthly stipend. He answered 'nothing at all.' He resumed—'why then do you take so much trouble?' He replied, 'I read for the sake of God.' The other rejoined, 'For God's sake do not read; for if you read the Koran in this manner you will destroy the splendor of Islamism.'" And so, if this be done for the sake of Masonry, then for Masonry's sake let us pray that it may not be done.

The ceremonial observances during the year, since my last communication to you, have been few.

An authorization to open the Grand Lodge in Special Communication was given, August nineteenth, 1878, to the W. THEODORE REISER, to lay the corner-stone of a public school building at Anaheim.

On the thirteenth of December, 1877, I convened the Grand Lodge in Special Communication at Sacramento, and dedicated the new Masonic Hall at that place. All the elected Grand Officers, and all the appointed Grand Officers, except five, were present. The large assemblage of distinguished persons from every portion of the State, filling the spacious and elegant rooms so well adapted for Masonic purposes; the impressive character of the dedicatory ceremonies; and the concluding festive enjoyment rendered it an occasion to be always most agreeably remembered by its participants.

Accompanied by several of the Grand Officers, I attended a pic-nic at the Redwoods, Russian River, given under the auspices of *Santa Rosa* Lodge, No. 57, on June twenty-fourth, in commemoration of the Festival of Saint John. The appointments and surroundings of this great pic-nic were thoroughly appreciated by those present, who had the additional pleasure of listening to the eloquence of Bro. Judge GEORGE A. JOHNSON and Bro. the Rev. OSGOOD C. WHEELER.

On the twenty-first of last month I convened the Grand Lodge in Special Communication, at Napa, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the new courthouse at that place. The ceremonies were performed with the assistance of officers and members from *Yount* Lodge, No. 12, *Saint Helena* Lodge, No. 93, *Suisun* Lodge, No. 55, and *Naval* Lodge, No. 87,—*Napa* Chapter, No. 30, being also present.

In my last message was mentioned a correspondence with the Grand Master of Masons in Montana, relative to *Eureka* Lodge, No. 16, of this State, which sought reimbursement for expenses incurred in the relief of a member of *Silver Star* Lodge, No. 17, in Montana. Shortly after the close of our Communication, the Grand Secretary received a letter from that Grand Master, transmitting a draft for \$569 20, for account of the said claim, of which \$200 had been raised by private subscription of the seventeen members of *Silver Star* Lodge, and the balance, \$369 20, was paid by the Grand Lodge, being every dollar it had in its treasury. Can language add to the force borne in the simple recital of the act? For you, I now publicly render to the

Grand Lodge of Montana and its subordinate, *Silver Star* Lodge, your grateful appreciation of their prompt and praiseworthy action.

A protracted correspondence has been held with the Grand Master of Missouri, concerning a claim made by *Visalia* Lodge, No. 128, of our jurisdiction, against *Mitchell* Lodge, No. 229, in Missouri, for reimbursement arising from expenses incurred in the illness and burial of a member of the latter Lodge. *Visalia* Lodge, in presenting the matter to *Mitchell* Lodge, did not receive the courtesy anticipated, and hence its reference to me. Our brother, the Grand Master of Missouri, promptly responded, stating the reasons set forth by *Mitchell* Lodge for declining to make the requested payment, and subsequently sending certain interrogatories relative to the case, which were answered by *Visalia* Lodge and the answers forwarded. These were acknowledged, and since then I have received no communication, but it is presumed that eventually the matter will be satisfactorily adjusted.

It seems that some Lodges do not understand the requirement of the Grand Lodge that a Lodge, advancing a sum, not exceeding twenty-five dollars, for the relief of a member of another Lodge, shall have the amount refunded by the Lodge of which the brother relieved is a member, and hence the present notice. A case recently happened in which the claim of a Lodge advancing the money was rejected. I was appealed to by the Lodge preferring the claim, and replied by quoting the mandate of the Grand Lodge. The mandate, like the claim, after discussion, was rejected by the Lodge whose member had been relieved. I then wrote to the Lodge refusing payment, calling its attention anew to the requirement, and directed that the matter be again considered, in order to obviate the necessity of resorting to a severe measure. The result of the reconsideration was the payment of the claim.

The condition of the Craft in this State now warrants the maintenance of a Masonic publication. Heretofore such attempt has resulted in failure. It is desirable that some vehicle may convey to the brethren historic accounts of the Grand Lodge and its subordinates, the most important decisions and official acts of the Grand Master, and a general knowledge of the position of the fraternity in our own and in other jurisdictions. In the furtherance of this object the *Masonic Monthly* has recently been established in this city, and thus far has met with a satisfactory reception. That it may have suitable encouragement to insure its continuance, and increased facilities to afford the needed information, your attention is invited and your support is recommended.

In the matter of *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, unsettled at the last Communication, a conclusion was arrived at by the voluntary surrender of its charter, the details of which will appear in the report of the Grand Secretary.

Special deputies were appointed to constitute *Alcatraz* Lodge, No. 244, *Laurel* Lodge, No. 245, and *Pomona* Lodge, No. 246, to which charters were granted at the last Communication; and their officers were duly installed.

Dispensations for the formation of five new Lodges have been issued, the names of which and the places where located, with other information, will be found in the report of the Grand Secretary. Although in favor of consolidation rather than multiplication of Lodges, and reluctant usually to cause the establishment of new Lodges, yet the above dispensations were issued, as it is believed, for the good of the Craft; three being in remote localities, where the distance from other Lodges, the abundance of material, and the wants of the resident brethren were forcibly set forth by the Inspector and others; and two, whose localities were visited by myself, in view of granting or rejecting the petitions.

Sundry proposed amendments to the by-laws of Lodges, regarding dues, fees, and times of meeting, have received my approval; the details of which will be borne in the report of the Grand Secretary.

A proposed amendment, "that there be no affiliation fee required of those presenting petitions with dimit direct from another Lodge, but that those holding a dimit

for one year or over be required to pay the usual fee," was not approved, as the Grand Lodge prescribes who shall pay fees or dues, and the proposed amendment was conditional and therefore inexpedient. Either there should be no affiliation fee, or it should apply equally to all.

Proposed amendments defining the duty of brethren in their attendance at the Lodge, regulating the manner and time of speaking to a question, and prescribing a reprimand for those addicted to profanity, gambling, or intemperance, were disapproved, as the objects sought could be arrived at by simple resolutions, and by treating unmasonic conduct as directed in the Constitution.

A proposed amendment increasing the affiliation fee to \$50, was not approved; for, being in favor of the abolition of the affiliation fee, altogether, consistency would not warrant my approval of a large advance upon the sum already established.

Proposed amendments for the establishment of life-membership were presented, hampered with conditions. It was provided that, in the event of the death of the holder of a life-membership, the sum originally paid should be paid to his widow, heirs, or assigns; in the event of withdrawal from the Lodge, one-half of said sum should be refunded to the withdrawing life-member; and, in the event of an expulsion, the whole amount to be forfeited by himself and heirs. These were not approved, although it was alleged in support of them that a neighboring Lodge had a life-membership with similar conditions, which had been approved by the Grand Lodge. I am in favor of life-membership, but, whenever this project is entertained, it should consist simply of the payment of the sum determined, without conditions, save the perpetual exemption from dues and the issuing of a suitable certificate. This is the system adopted by some of our Lodges, and its very simplicity and effectiveness seem to make it unsusceptible of improvement. I am also in favor of the establishment of new Lodges on the principle of life-membership, the moneys thus received to be funded, and the interest derived therefrom, together with the fees, to be available for ordinary expenses and for charity. I invite your attention to the subject of life-membership, and recommend your approval of a plan which, whenever adopted by Lodges, will have uniformity in the Code of By-Laws.

Our relations with other Grand Bodies continue unchanged. A communication has been received from the Grand Master of Quebec, making complaint against the Grand Lodge of Scotland for an invasion of territorial jurisdiction, which will be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

An interesting report from the R. W. THEODORE T. GURNEY, our Representative near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, regarding the proceedings of that Grand Lodge at its Communication last year, is herewith presented.

I have caused credentials to be issued to Bro. HENRY LINN WALDO, at Santa Fe, as Representative of our Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of New Mexico; and to Bro. JULIO FERNANDEZ ESPINA as our Representative near the Grand Orient of Spain.

Permission was granted to Clinton Lodge, No. 119, to remove its place of meeting; and to Santa Clara Lodge, No. 34, to appear in public, in Masonic clothing, on May the seventh, to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Lodge.

As the charter of Vacaville Lodge, No. 134, was destroyed by fire, I directed the Grand Secretary to have a certified copy of the original charter prepared and transmitted to the Lodge.

Sundry special dispensations for the election of officers and re-balloting for candidates have been issued, a detailed notice of which will appear in the report of the Grand Secretary.

During the year a printed circular was issued by two Lodges to the fraternity in this State, one soliciting alms for an indigent member, and the other alms for a member of another Lodge in our jurisdiction. These were promulgated without my knowledge; they certainly would not have received my sanction. When a Lodge is unable to suitably care for its own needy, then I think it proper that assistance

should come from the Grand Lodge. Lodges should be just before they are generous—just to *its* poor rather than generous to the poor of another; but the Grand Lodge may relieve extraordinary and peculiar cases, and thus ease the burden of some of its subordinates. Your consideration of this matter is solicited, and, if not disposed to render aid as suggested, at least you should emphatically discountenance the sending forth of money-soliciting circulars.

In *Los Angeles* Lodge, No. 42, several months ago, charges were preferred against a member and a trial ensued. It came to my knowledge that at the trial one of the commissioners, at the suggestion of another, acted as counsel for the accused and conducted the defense. An acquittal followed. I was asked by the accuser if an appeal might not be taken, to which I replied that it was not necessary, as the proceedings were illegal and void, and there need be no delay in instituting a new trial. Time passed and nothing was done, and again my attention was called to the case, the record of the trial having been transmitted. On August ninth I informed the Master that the proceedings of the former trial were set aside, and directed him to cause charges to be preferred anew, and that a new trial occur as early as practicable.

In my message of last year was reported the question, "Would the Secretary of a Lodge be justified in refusing the dues of a suspended member from persons who might be deemed as having personal interests in collecting and paying the same, even without the knowledge or consent of the suspended member?" I answered at length, in substance, that the reading of the law necessitated the opinion that the restoration of a delinquent by the payment of arrearages and dues is by his action, sanction, or knowledge, although custom authorized the payment to be made without either of the implied conditions. The question bore relation to my decision of the preceding year, which was reversed by the Committee on Jurisprudence, (and the reversal agreed to by you,) in the case of a suspended brother dying before the payment of arrearages and dues was made, although the money was raised and sent before death, etc. I then proposed the question, "Does the law intend that the payment of dues and arrearages shall be the act, directly or indirectly, of the suspended member, or may it be performed without his knowledge or consent?" This was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who failed to report. This, in its essential outline, was the question which, as applied in the well-remembered case of the restoration of a brother after death, influenced my decision, which was not approved by you. My own belief, with every respectful consideration for your non-concurrence, remains the same. In this belief I am sustained by Masonic jurists in other jurisdictions; and, as a doubt may reasonably exist in your minds, I have to beg your indulgence for presenting the matter anew, and to earnestly request that it may again appear for the decision of the Committee on Jurisprudence.

When a non-affiliate of six months or more applies for membership, he will pay a sum equivalent to six months' dues and the affiliation fee, if any. If he be rejected, according to my reading of Section 1, Article II, Part V, of the Constitution, he places himself in good standing for six months; and if he applies again within the said six months he would be required to pay the affiliation fee only. I do not think, however, that the writer of the section contemplated such interpretation, but expected the non-affiliate, after rejection, to be required to pay the six months' dues in addition to the affiliation fee, as in the first instance. Since several Masters have arrived at a conclusion like mine, the matter is presented for your decision.

The Master of *Clear Lake* Lodge, No. 183, informed me that, on the night of his installation, his predecessor had opened a Lodge of Entered Apprentices, in which commissioners were elected for the trial of a brother of that degree. He justly took exception to the proceeding and wrote to me for instructions. He was directed to set aside the election, call a special meeting of his Lodge without delay, elect commissioners, and proceed with the trial.

In a case where one blackball only appeared, and the Master, without ordering a

second ballot, declared the candidate rejected, I was asked in what position the latter was placed. I replied that, as the Constitution, Part III, Art. III, Sec. 3, is imperative in its requirements, it follows that when but one blackball is present, and the Master does not order a second ballot for the purpose of correcting a possible mistake, the candidate is entitled to a second ballot, at a regular meeting, and after due notice that the ballot will be taken shall have been given to each member of the Lodge.

From a multiplicity of questions asked and answered during the year, I select the following:—

Question. Is it competent for the Master to dismiss a case when charges have been preferred against a brother, on the production of a transcript of the record of a Grand Jury ignoring the case when presented before it? Succeeding this action, a member preferred charges and commissioners were elected.

Answer. The action of a Grand Jury does not obviate a Masonic investigation. As charges are made and commissioners are elected, it is advisable that the trial proceed, in equity to the accused and to the Fraternity.

Question. Should charges be returned to the accuser, in a case where a reconciliation has occurred before the election of commissioners, or should they be retained in the archives of the Lodge?

Answer. The case having been settled without action on the part of the Lodge, there is no propriety in filing the charges in the Lodge archives.

Question. Has a Lodge the right to give, or sell for a nominal price, a valuable tract of land to any number of persons, for them to incorporate under the laws of the State as a Masonic Cemetery Association?

Answer. If a Lodge owns real estate, not required for the purposes of the Lodge, it has the undoubted right to dispose of the same, provided that due notice of the intended action be given, and if, at a stated meeting, the proposition be adopted by a majority of the members present.

Question. Is a non-affiliate required to make application to the nearest Lodge in the jurisdiction in which he resides?

Answer. No; he can apply for affiliation with any Lodge in this jurisdiction.

Question. Are the members of a Lodge entitled to know the name of a brother who objects to the initiation of a candidate elected to receive the degrees?

Answer. No. It is sufficient for the Master to know that an objection is made and that it is a valid one.

Question. Is there any remedy to prevent a member from voting negatively when the same is the result of malice, spite, or prejudice?

Answer. The ballot is secret and inviolable, is a Mason's great prerogative, and is without question, except on the ground of an unintentional or suspected mistake. It is not competent to demand of a member his reason for voting in the negative, and there is no power to deprive him of his vote, even if it be apparent that it is adverse to the applicant by reason of malice, spite, or prejudice.

Question. Shall a blank be counted?

Answer. No. Obviously, in a contested election, it is not to be supposed that any one would purposely deposit a blank; and when found, under such circumstances, it is undoubtedly the result of a blank adhering to a written ballot. In the Grand Lodge blanks have never been counted.

As to the eligibility of persons for the degrees, in the cases of one who had lost the second finger of the right hand, of one who had lost two fingers of the right hand, of one who had a contracted right thumb touching the palm, and of another with a stiff knee, I had only to reply that a regulation of the Grand Lodge requires that a candidate must have his right limbs as a man ought to have, and be able to conform literally to what the several degrees respectively require of him.

A communication was received from *Lexington* Lodge, No. 104, asking if the

trustees of that Lodge (which had been incorporated,) levied an assessment upon the members, would such an assessment be right and in conformity with Masonic law? Surprised at the existence of an incorporated Lodge in our jurisdiction, I asked for the time and particulars of the act of incorporation, and if by the consent of the Grand Master, and was informed that the act happened in 1876, during my administration. I replied that the subject of incorporation was presented to the Grand Lodge by Past Grand Master PERKINS, but received no action; that in my last annual message it was again brought before the Grand Lodge and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who, owing to the importance of the matter, asked for and obtained permission to defer their report until the present Communication; and that, under the circumstances, I had to require *Lexington* Lodge, without unnecessary delay, to take the requisite measures for disincorporation. Subsequently, I was notified that a committee had been appointed by the Lodge with instructions to proceed to disincorporate, of which, when accomplished, I should be informed.

I am opposed to the incorporation of Lodges, believing the act to be subversive of the principles of Masonic government and in opposition to the prosperity of the Order. By it the State becomes paramount in authority, annihilates the appellate jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge and Grand Master, and subordinates the Masonic to the civil authorities. By it a positive antagonism is arrayed against the self-management of the internal affairs, and, in its ultimate, general, and permanent effects, the Lodge would be less real, less stable, less solid. An independent corporation may be formed for the purpose of holding the title of real estate or investing money, which would be controlled by the Courts, but no Court ought to control the affairs of a Masonic Lodge.

There may be other incorporated Lodges within our jurisdiction. Consequently you should determine at this Communication the expediency of having Lodges corporate and politic, the practicability of having a divided allegiance, and whether the act would be at variance with the essential character of Masonry, for the guidance of Lodges that may have already incorporated, and that no doubt may exist in the future as to the will of the Grand Lodge; and, also, to define the manner of election, and the duties, powers, and succession of trustees in Lodges not incorporated.

I am fully convinced that the Committee on Finances ought to be made a standing committee. At present, being a regular committee appointed at the commencement of each Annual Communication, sufficient time is not allowed to have its duties satisfactorily performed for a report to be made until the last days of the session, when, usually, a large number of the members are absent. It is highly important that the financial condition and proposed amount of appropriations should be presented at the earliest practicable hour, in order that ample time may be given to deliberate and pronounce upon the report. I therefore recommend that measures be taken to constitute the Committee on Finances a standing committee, and that when so constituted, it shall be required to meet at the office of the Grand Secretary on the Saturday preceding the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, and examine the books, papers, and accounts of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and report the result thereof to the Grand Lodge on the second day of the session in each year.

Bonds for the sum of fifteen thousand dollars each were duly executed by the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and for the sum of five thousand dollars each by the Trustees of the Reserve Fund, in October last, and they received my approval.

The Grand Treasurer will present a report, in detail, respecting the management of the Reserve Fund, as derived from the several reports of its Trustees, and, also, as exhibiting its actual condition.

Your requirement that a notice be published in three prominent newspapers to the effect that this Grand Lodge is not, and never has been, in any way, directly or indirectly, interested in the business or management of the Masonic Savings and

Loan Bank of San Francisco, was complied with by the Directors of said Bank, and the notice duly appeared for the period of six months.

In June last I received a communication from Bro. HIRAM T. GRAVES, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of California, directed to me as Grand Master, and one from the Finance Committee of the Grand Chapter, directed to me as Grand High Priest, both alleging malfeasance in office on the part of Bro. CHARLES LOUIS WIGGIN, the Deputy Grand Master, while performing duty as Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery and Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter. A sad duty, made the more painful from a long-continued and pleasant official association, compelled me to direct the Master of *Mount Moriah* Lodge, No. 44, to prefer charges against the accused, and to proceed to trial as early as practicable. It was an *ex parte* trial, and resulted in expulsion.

A member of *Monterey* Lodge, No. 217, in good standing, was imprisoned at Auburn, awaiting a second trial on the charge of murder. I was asked if his family and himself were entitled to receive assistance from that Lodge. My reply was that, if he was still a member of the Lodge, and not under suspension for non-payment of dues, or for other cause, he must be regarded as in good standing, and, as such, entitled to be the recipient of all the rights, privileges, and charities of the Lodge; that the fact of his incarceration did not remove the good standing, no charges having been preferred against him, since in equity, he might be supposed to be innocent until proven to be guilty; and that he, his wife, and children had a right to receive the attention of the Lodge. Assistance was afforded the family by *Eureka* Lodge, No. 16. *Monterey* Lodge was informed of the fact, and was asked for repayment, as well as for instructions for the future. That Lodge remitted a small sum, announced its impecunious condition, and declared that it could furnish no further aid. The family were in distress and had to be relieved, either by the fraternity or by the public. *Eureka* Lodge saved the fraternity from reproach by ministering to the family, assisted by *Granite* Lodge, No. 222. Recently, the second trial of the accused occurred, resulting in a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree. The case is peculiarly unhappy. A grave charge was made against a member of a Lodge, which continued to hold him in good standing, and was consequently obliged to care for the distressed family. The Lodge could not or did not supply the necessary relief; but, fortunately, the family did not suffer, their wants having been supplied by other Lodges. You will probably concur in the opinion that a restitution should be made to these Lodges, and if so, in what manner? *Monterey* Lodge asserts its inability; the Grand Lodge *can* give relief—will it? The case stands for your disposal.

This is our twenty-ninth Annual Communication, and yet the Grand Lodge has no fund set apart for charity. True, it has a reserve fund—to what extent? Does not its history show that it would have been better were it a charity fund? Ought the Grand Lodge to accumulate money simply for the gratification of having an overflowing treasury? If some of its excess of funds is not to be applied to the relief of the necessitous, then let the dues of its subordinates be lessened in order that their charities may be enlarged. Is there not a simplicity and directness in this assertion? Need there be any extended remarks to convince you of its desirability—may I not say of its feasibility—if you will but act? I can find abundant reasons for, and each year affords accumulated evidences of, the propriety of establishing a Relief or Charity Fund. Certainly it can be done, and assuredly, too, it is of the essence of Masonry to do it. For the third time, then, I make an earnest appeal in its behalf, recognizing always that our deeds are poorer than our wills, yet that what is true will ultimately assert itself; and, as there is a saying in England “that patience and perseverance will make a bishop of his reverence,” I feel that patience and perseverance will soon secure the fulfillment of this long cherished project.

I come now to a subject which, judging from the Masonic communities visited in

various parts of the State, is of common agitation—the reduction of the expenses of the Grand Lodge. “Whether a wind be warm or cold it serves to fan a kindled fire.” It is claimed that our Grand Lodge is more expensive, proportionately, than that of other jurisdictions, and that the reduction should apply to dues, salaries, and the lopping off of some ordinary expenditures. Briefly, a general reduction is proposed. It is certainly a self-evident proposition that no useless expenditure ought to be tolerated, and that the amount of appropriations should be commensurate with the exigencies of the occasion. I am, as formerly expressed, in favor of any retrenchment that will not conflict with the proper working of the Grand Lodge. Year after year, to a greater or less extent, the cry of retrenchment is heard; and year after year you have sought for the remedy which has always been in your hands, and you have persistently refused to apply it. Is it because you recognized that there is in every case a great interval between theory and practice? Is it that you feared that the application of the remedy might be too experimental for a salutary and corrective effect? Year after year you approve the appropriations recommended by the Finance Committee, and, surely, you have no right to complain because the Grand Officers simply perform their duty in causing the appropriations to be expended in exact conformity with your instructions. You alone can decide the amount of money to be disbursed, and you alone are responsible if the expenses of the Grand Lodge are excessive. Here, you should speak the same as you have spoken to me. Be not deterred because you are unaccustomed to public discussion; we want facts, not eloquence—acts, not complaints—in order that we may be able in some degree to estimate the proposed retrenchment, honestly examine and sufficiently understand the condition, and, with no other motive than fidelity to honest conviction, deliberate and determine.

At our last session I suggested the propriety of appropriating a sum to be employed by the Grand Master, in case of any calamity happening to other communities by pestilence, fire, or any other cause, for the relief of distressed brethren in such communities. The suggestion was not approved. A calamity more direful than could have been anticipated came, and I acted as though the appropriation had been made. For weeks the accounts daily received from the pestilence-stricken districts in the South have familiarized you with the desolation, distress, dismay, and death attending the ravages of that most virulent disease—yellow fever. But of all this, that which has impressed me most touchingly is an editorial written by one who, on the following day fell a victim, and which gave a sad realization to his gloomy forebodings. Those of you who, like myself, have witnessed the frightful results of the fever plague, will fully understand the vivid, unexaggerated description:—

“*‘AVALANCHE OFFICE, MEMPHIS, Midnight, August 29th.*

We are doomed. It is hard as we write in this dark, dismal night of death, not to realize the full meaning of that brief sentence. It is hard for any man of the few left in this city of sorrows not to take the sentence to himself with a painfully personal application as the sentence of death. Scarcely any are left but those who are crowding down personal care in the noble purpose of others' good. To them death, if it comes, will have the sweetening consolation that it is brought by as noble a service as the God of heaven, as man on earth, ever looked upon. To die for man is to imitate the grandest event in the history of our globe. It is to imitate the death of the Saviour of the world. The rain falls slowly, the storm of the afternoon having sunk into a dismal, solemnly sad drizzle, as though the heavens themselves were touched to tears at the sight of so much human misery. The rattle of an occasional vehicle along the silent street tells that a member of some benevolent society is hastening to minister to the sick or dying. That is all. All else is silent, deathly, and awful, with naught but the rattle of the water from the roof into the gutter; and that has the ominous gurgle of a death rattle in the human throat.

Seventy dead, and at least one hundred and twenty-five new cases. God help us! If hope were not worn to a skeleton—if she had not taken herself to prayer—we might find a spark to kindle a weak glow of light in this impenetrable darkness, and expect that the heavy shower of to-day would wash from air, from gutter, and from bayou, a part of the foul pestilential air which is breeding death.

The horrors of the hour cannot be told, even if the heart did not sicken at the task. They are horrors such as make a hell on earth; such as make life almost a

burden. Elsewhere it will be seen that a noble band of physicians have come to our aid. We need them all, and more; and when we think into what a tornado of death they throw their frail bodies, we cannot but be amazed that strangers should dare so much for strangers. Their reward is found in a higher sphere than that in which our full hearts beat in gratitude.

The Howards need men to supply the places of their sick. Their inability to visit all the stricken yesterday caused much distress, if not many deaths. The ranks of the clergy, as brave a company of Christian soldiers as ever faced martyrdom without a fear, have been invaded. But why write more? Why try to add words when the dark list below speaks so plainly of our unprecedented calamity? Where it all will end, God only knows.

In consultation with the Grand Secretary, it was determined to send by telegraph-transfer the sum of five hundred dollars to each of the Grand Secretaries of Masons in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee, we assuming the pecuniary responsibility. The intended action was submitted to the Senior Grand Warden and the Grand Treasurer, who acquiesced therein and wished to assume a proportionate responsibility. Fifteen hundred dollars were drawn from the General Fund and forwarded. In its acknowledgment, the statement of the situation presented was such that I immediately caused a circular letter to be issued to the Lodges, inviting their contributions. How promptly and generously this was responded to will be shown by a report to be made by the Grand Secretary. Several Lodges had anticipated the receipt of the circular by forwarding their donations, and the members of others had given through other funds. From moneys thus obtained, in addition to the amounts above mentioned as sent from the treasury of the Grand Lodge, five hundred dollars were sent to Louisiana, and fifteen hundred dollars each to Mississippi and Tennessee, while more than three thousand dollars still remain with the Grand Secretary, information having been received that no further remittances were needed.

BRO. JAMES C. BATCHELOR, Grand Secretary of Louisiana, wrote from New Orleans, as follows:—

It was our wish to be able to do without assistance, so that it might be contributed to others who possibly might need it more than we, but the demands upon the Relief Lodge are multiplying, and we now deem it proper to accept, that we may not risk the possibility of being unable to meet the distress and wants of our suffering brethren from other jurisdictions. On receipt of the funds, I shall immediately transfer the amount to Relief Lodge, as from the Grand Lodge of California, whose well known philanthropy has heretofore been so often chronicled as to make the present tender no surprise; and we hope that the disposition of the amount and the relief afforded will meet the expectations of the kind donors.

BRO. J. L. POWER, Grand Secretary of Mississippi, wrote from Jackson, in the following terms:—

Will draw as requested to-day. We are very grateful and will hereafter make more appropriate acknowledgment. I have hardly time to keep up with the demands upon me. All funds received are distributed at once to Vicksburg, Port Gibson, and Grenada. The fever has just broken out here, but we had obtained a local subscription that may be sufficient. The enclosed 'extra,' which I try to print daily, will show you the situation. We have at least six weeks more to go through. All is gloom and almost despair. May God help us! Our good friends all over the country are doing what they can.

Afterwards he telegraphed:—

Thanks for your third splendid contribution. Our California brethren have done enough. Please don't send more. Remittances now coming from other places will be ample. Have supplied all pressing cases, and will have something for the widows and orphans when fever subsides. May you always be as able, as you always have been willing, to help the distressed.

Brethren, during my administration no act has occasioned to me such gratification as that which was afforded by your true Masonic response to my appeal in behalf of the destitute and suffering. By it you have illustrated the principle which asserts the brotherhood of man, and by it you have exhibited that unselfish love so poetically described by Schiller:—

“Have love. Not love alone for one, but man as man thy brother call,
And scatter, like the circling sun, thy charities on all.”

"As the waters of a river ever hasten on and flow away, and, once gone, never return, such is the life of man. That which is gone knows not any return." Death unexpectedly has recently taken from us two of the honored members of this Grand Lodge.

For years Bro. WILLIAM EDWARD MOODY gave his labors to the fraternity, in the Lodge, in the Chapter, in the Council, and, by virtue of his position as Assistant Grand Secretary, in the Grand Lodge. How well he executed his various duties is known to the officers of these several bodies. Though assailed by an insidious disease, yet with failing strength and haggard countenance, he faithfully remained at his post until, stricken by the fatal hand of paralysis, he succumbed, and lost strength, consciousness, and finally life. His nature was of a gentle, amiable, humane quality, with frank cordiality of heart, and genial manners. He knew the world, and had experienced its trials, its temptations, and its disappointments. The mystery of life to him has been revealed; to us that mystery remains unsolved, and continues so inexplicable in its tangled mass, that, toiling ever throughout all there may be of life, with all our own soul and strength, we cannot unravel its sorely twisted threads.

"As in the autumn time the leaves fall off,
First one and then another, till the branch
Unto the earth surrenders all its spoils."

On the day following the obsequies of Bro. MOODY, suddenly died Bro. HENRY HUNTLEY HAIGHT, ex-Governor of the State, and Grand Orator of this Grand Lodge in 1874. Eloquent eulogies have been pronounced in memory of this distinguished executive, able lawyer, and most estimable citizen, whose administration was characterized by honor and purity, whose "great duties were greatly done," and whose integrity, which nothing could corrupt, and whose independence, which nothing could shake, secured to him the confidence of the public, and made him trusted alike by friend and opponent. We eulogize him as a brother—modest, unselfish, earnest, and true hearted—with a moral rectitude outlining his high character, pure in personal qualities, with manly force softened by gentleness, pursuing the practical, active in humanity, sympathetic and charitable. His habits of life were simple, temperate, and never subjects of display; and his excellencies of heart came from a generous nature. He was a good man, and no tear of bitterness was shed over his grave.

The certainty of our own mortality and the uncertainty of earthly affairs are lessons taught by the death of our brothers, and from these lessons we should learn that we too are passing beyond cares, struggles, failures, and successes, error and lapse, and even of a certain goodness only divined by each of us in the privacy of our innermost, bettermost selves, to the final sleep "in the windowless palace of rest." As, in the presence of death, the harsh and bitter features of this or that experience are gradually obliterated, and memory looks kindly on the past, so in the presence of life, let us exercise more kindness, more real sympathy, more beneficence, more forbearance, with a greater desire to help one another, so that, in our "souls' brotherhood," we may fully realize that "if love is the faith, then friendship is the charity of life."

This paper has already exceeded its intended length. A few more words and it will be finished. I feel that in the discharge of my duties as your executive, I may have wounded the feelings of some of the sensitive who did not concur in my opinion or action; but, while regretting the condition, I have no apology to offer, for the duties have been faithfully and conscientiously performed, with no desire that they might be recalled. If they were to be performed anew they would have the same result. I have aimed to permit no personal motives to influence my judgment. I have never failed to respect the opinions of others; but, when it became a question of duty, I have not refrained from exercising the prerogatives of my office, and, ever mindful of the honors you have conferred upon me, and the important trusts you have confided to me so repeatedly, I have labored to preserve the authority and dignity of the Grand Lodge.

Once more I have to express my grateful appreciation of the courtesy and fraternal hospitality so uniformly bestowed by the brethren in every portion of the jurisdiction, and once more to return thanks for the assistance afforded me by the Grand Officers, more especially by the Grand Secretary, whose knowledge, zeal, and efficiency receive this merited recognition.

We are now ready to proceed with the business of this Communication. In your deliberations do not permit narrow prejudices to usurp more catholic and broader views. Have charity in opinion; exercise calmness and moderation; practice mutual effort, mutual forbearance, mutual devotion; employ strong common sense; and you will find potential means to promote the unity and perfect the prosperity and fraternal harmony of this association. "Brother and brother, let's go hand in hand," with gallant endeavor to make the new surpass the old in the true glories of Freemasonry.

JOHN MILLS BROWNE, *Grand Master.*

The Address was ordered to be referred to a special committee of five, and the Senior Grand Warden named the following brethren to constitute such committee—

<i>On the Address of the Grand Master:.....</i>	{	Bro. Thomas Hubbard Caswell, " John Caleb King, " Edwin Glover, " Albert Jay Lowry, " David King Perkins.
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The Grand Secretary presented his Annual Report to the Grand Lodge, as follows :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

The undersigned submits this, his twenty-third annual report, presenting, in accordance with the provisions of our Constitution, all such transactions of the Grand Secretary's office, since his last report, as should require action by the Grand Lodge, or may, in any manner, be of interest to its officers and members.

As soon as it was possible, after the close of the last Communication, the usual number of copies of the proceedings thereof—eighteen hundred and fifty—were printed and distributed, or reserved for future binding, in the customary manner, viz. : one copy to each of the present Grand Officers; one copy to each of the elective Past Grand Officers; two copies to each of the Grand Bodies, American and Foreign, with which we are in correspondence; four copies to each of the Lodges of our jurisdiction; and six hundred copies reserved for future binding, to form Vol. XIII of our proceedings. It is proper to say that the copies for our Lodges were sent only after receipt of their respective certificates of elections of officers, as those certificates only could give information as to whom the proceedings should be addressed. Thus, some of the Lodges, which had been dilatory in this respect, did not receive their copies until some time after their publication.

Since the last report of the undersigned, by direction of the Grand Master, commissions to Representatives of this Grand Lodge near other Grand Bodies have been issued as follows :—

To the Ill. Bro. VALENTINE F. BLANCO, 30°, near the Grand Orient of the Argentine Republic, dated on the twenty-eighth day of December, 1877, to fill a vacancy caused by the removal from that jurisdiction of our former Representative, Ill. Bro. HENRY T. JACKSON: and

To the W. Bro. HENRY LINN WALDO, Past Master, near the Grand Lodge of New Mexico, dated on the twenty-third day of March, 1878.

Also, since the last report from this office, appointments from other Grand Lodges, of Representatives therefrom near the Grand Lodge of California, have been made as follows :—

On the ninth day of March, 1878, our *R. W.* Bro. WILLIAM WILSON TRAYLOR, Senior Grand Warden, was appointed by the Grand Master of Masons in New Mexico as the Representative of the Grand Lodge of that Territory: and

On the thirtieth day of March, 1878, our *V. W.* Bro. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, Grand Secretary, was appointed by the Grand Commander and Grand Master of Masons in Spain as the Representative of the Grand Orient of that Kingdom.

Both these commissions have been received and will, in due season, be presented to the Grand Lodge. Nothing further has been received from the Grand Orient of Hungary in regard to the appointment of Bro. ARPAD HARASZTHY as the Representative of that Grand Body near our Grand Lodge, as recommended by our Grand Master in 1876; and, as no other appointment has been made or suggested therefrom, and as none of the several letters from this office during the past two years, relative to that matter, have been answered by the authorities in Hungary, it will perhaps not be an improper expression of our sense of that which is due to our own dignity if our Grand Lodge should cancel the appointment of its Representative near that Grand Orient—Bro. the BARON FREDERIC PODMANICZKY,—and thus terminate such portion of our one-sided relations with that body.

As usual, further additions have been made to the library of the Grand Lodge. Besides sundry books upon Masonic subjects, acquired by purchase, subscription, or gift, some thirty or forty large volumes of the transactions of other Grand Bodies have been completed and bound during the year, after much correspondence and many exchanges of duplicate proceedings. It would be difficult to set forth the amount of labor which has been expended in the effort to make our library the repository of the most complete collection in the world of the proceedings of the various Masonic Bodies in existence; and nought but an examination of the many press letter-books of this office, and the great files of letters in response to that portion of their contents, could give an idea of the time which has been given during the past fifteen or twenty years to secure such a result. It may be added that several hundreds of the annual proceedings of other Grand Bodies are on hand, the files for which are still incomplete; but it is hoped that, ere long, the Grand Secretary will be able to announce our possession of the complete transactions of nearly, if not quite, all the Masonic Grand Bodies of North America.

It had been intended to have prepared and ready for presentation, at this Communication, a new and complete catalogue of the books in our library; but, while it was in course of preparation, an unexpected and grievous calamity befel the office.

Bro. WILLIAM EDWARD MOODY, who, during six years past, had been the Assistant Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, died suddenly of paralysis, on the twenty-eighth day of August last. It would be difficult for the undersigned to find words in which to express his grief for this sudden deprivation of a dear and trusted friend—of a devoted, capable, industrious, and most useful assistant; and at this time he will not attempt the task. Suffice it now to say, that well-beloved as Bro. Moody was by all who knew him, none can feel his loss more keenly than he who now fails to give expression to that feeling.

The three Lodges, to which charters were granted at the last Annual Communication, were all constituted in due season and had their officers installed by deputies specially appointed for that purpose by the Grand Master, as follows:—

Alcatraz, No. 244, at Oakland,..... by CHAS. L. WIGGIN, Deputy Grand Master;
Laurel, “ 245, “ Willows,..... “ JOHN SWEANY, Past Master; and
Pomona “ 246, “ Pomona,..... “ RICHARD C. FRYER, Past Master.

The letters of authorization to the officers above named, with their several reports, are herewith submitted.

Since the close of the last Annual Communication, dispensations for the formation

of five new Lodges have, by direction of the Grand Master, been issued from this office, as follows :—

Jan. 30, 1878,..... to *Alturas* Lodge, at Alturas, Modoc County;
 March 5, 1878,.. .. " *Greenville* Lodge, at Greenville, Plumas County;
 July 22, 1878,..... " *Adin* Lodge, at Adin, Modoc County;
 July 23, 1878,..... " *Brotherhood* Lodge, at Duncan's Mills, Sonoma County;
 July 30, 1878,..... " *Bodie* Lodge, at Bodie, Mono County.

In addition to the foregoing, there is to be mentioned another Lodge, the dispensation to which was ordered to be continued at the last Annual Communication, viz.:
 April 12, 1877,..... to *Fresno* Lodge, at Fresno, Fresno County.

The petitions for the foregoing dispensations, with the certificates of withdrawal of the several petitioners from the Lodges of which they had last been members, the recommendations of the proper chartered Lodges, and the certificates regarding the qualifications of the Masters and Wardens proposed, which are required by our laws, were all correctly prepared and presented; and they are herewith submitted, together with the returned dispensations, the books of record, and the petitions of the new Lodges to be perpetuated by charters.

A petition, dated on the seventeenth day of November, 1877, for the formation of a new Lodge at Hanford, in Tulare County, to be called *Mussel Slough* (!) Lodge, was also received at this office, but the issue of a dispensation therefor was refused by the Grand Master.

Another Lodge has ceased to exist, making the forty-fifth vacancy in the numbers upon our registry. On the seventeenth day of November, 1877, *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, in consequence of the removal of many of its members, and the apparent impossibility of securing officers who would qualify themselves for the several stations, voted, in the manner prescribed by our laws, to surrender its charter. Its affairs were creditably wound up; its books, seal, charter, and all else of consequence have been transmitted to this office; and, as will appear in that portion of this report devoted to financial matters, all balances of its dues have been fully paid, and a considerable sum, being moneys in its treasury and amounts received for sale of its effects, has been transmitted to the Grand Lodge. As the manner in which its affairs have been settled is creditable and satisfactory, it is recommended that the surrender of its charter be accepted and the Lodge be declared honorably extinct.

The numbers of the chartered Lodges which are and have been borne upon our register have reached to two hundred and forty-six. Of these, twenty-seven, for reasons heretofore presented, have voluntarily surrendered their charters; four have become extinct by the revocation of those instruments; two, established in Oregon in the early days, assisted in the formation of and became subordinate to the Grand Lodge of that State; eight, instituted in Nevada, transferred their allegiance to the Grand Lodge there established by themselves; and eight, as permitted by a late amendment to our Constitution, have consolidated into four: making in all forty-five vacancies upon our roll. Thus, there are now in existence within this jurisdiction two hundred and one chartered Lodges, which, with the six acting under dispensation, make a total number of two hundred and seven.

On the tenth day of October, 1877, the hall of *Vacaville* Lodge, No. 134, was destroyed by fire, and with it were lost all the books, furniture, and other property of the Lodge within the building, including its charter. A certified duplicate of that instrument, which bore date of the thirteenth day of May, 1859, was, by request of the Lodge, transmitted thereto on the twelfth day of November, 1877, and it is hoped that that action will be approved.

Of the proposed amendments to the by-laws of Lodges which have been received during the year, the approval of the Grand Master in the cases of twenty-eight have been filed in this office. Of these, five—being from Lodges Nos. 117, 119, 207, 243,

and 246—propose changes in the times of meeting; eleven—being from Lodges Nos. 9, 12, 16, 44, 87, 132, 156, 210, 217, 236, and 243—propose to reduce the monthly dues; three—being from Lodges Nos. 59, 104, and 241—propose to increase those dues; two—being from Lodges Nos. 79 and 193—propose to reduce the fees for degrees; one—being from Lodge No. 120—proposes to increase those fees; two—being from Lodges Nos. 14 and 22—propose to reduce the fee for affiliation; two—being from Lodges Nos. 81 and 236—propose to abolish that fee; and two—being from Lodges Nos. 14 and 55—propose the payment of their dues semi-annually, instead of quarterly.

In addition to the foregoing, the following proposed amendments have been received, viz.: One from Lodge No. 14, containing several propositions; one from Lodge No. 81, proposing a conditional affiliation fee; and one from Lodge No. 166, proposing an increase of the affiliation fee to fifty dollars: all which were disapproved by the Grand Master, for reasons which he has endorsed upon the several papers.

In accordance with the law, all the foregoing are submitted to the Grand Lodge for final action, as are also the books of by-laws of the six Lodges now existing under dispensation.

The undersigned has received the following papers from without our jurisdiction, all which have been transmitted to the Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence for examination and report, viz.:

1st. A proclamation by the Grand Master of Masons in the Province of Quebec, dated at Montreal, on the twenty-eighth day of June, 1878, suspending and forbidding all Masonic intercourse between the Grand Lodge of that Province and the Lodges and Masons of its jurisdiction, and the Grand Lodge of Scotland, its subordinate Lodges and all brethren in obedience thereto, in consequence of the alleged invasion of the jurisdictional rights of the Grand Lodge of Quebec by the Grand Lodge of Scotland in its recent issue of warrants to establish two Lodges in the City of Montreal; and declaring that such action was unfraternal and unconstitutional, that the Lodges thus formed are irregular and illegal, and that all persons now belonging to or who may become members thereof are and will be irregular Masons.

2d. "An answer to the proclamation of MELBOURNE M. TAIT, Esq., Grand Master of the self-assumed Grand Lodge of Quebec, by DR. GEORGE A. BAYNES, Provincial Grand Master of Scottish Freemasonry at Montreal," dated August, 1878.

3d. Sundry resolutions adopted by the United Grand Lodge of England, on the sixth day of March, 1878, regretting and reprobating the action of the Grand Orient of France in "removing from its Constitution those paragraphs which assert a belief in the existence of God," and directing that no Lodge under its obedience shall admit any foreign brother as a visitor unless he shall acknowledge that such belief is an essential landmark of the Order.

4th. Sundry resolutions adopted by the Grand Lodge of Iowa, on the sixth day of June, 1878, expressing its indignation at the course taken by the Grand Orient of France upon the subject above named, and severing all relations theretofore existing between that Grand Lodge and that Grand Orient.

5th. A communication from the Grand Master of the newly-formed "Grand Lodge of New South Wales," dated on the twenty-seventh day of December, 1877, announcing the organization of that body on the third day of that month, enclosing a printed copy of the proceedings of the Convention held for that purpose on that day, and asking for recognition from our Grand Lodge.

6th. A communication from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, dated on the seventh day of March, 1878, stating that "certain brethren belonging to Lodges in New South Wales, holding of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, have, in conjunction with others, formed themselves into the Grand Lodge of New South Wales;" announcing that that body is "irregular and unconstitutional;"

and requesting that recognition thereof be withheld, and that admission to our Lodges be refused to any member of that "so-called Grand Lodge of New South Wales."

7th. A copy of the "Australian Free Mason," published at Sydney, New South Wales, dated on the first day of June, 1878, containing "letters of the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, warning, respectively, the District and Provincial Grand Lodges of New South Wales against recognizing the irregular and unconstitutional body calling itself the 'Grand Lodge of New South Wales.'"

8th. A manifesto, "by authority of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales, to all Master Masons throughout the globe, especially to our brethren in the territory of New South Wales," dated at Sydney, on the first day of July, 1878.

9th. A pamphlet, dated on the twentieth day of October, 1877, and entitled, "An Exposition which, in behalf of the *M. W.* Grand Symbolical Lodge of A. F. & A. Masons of Colon, Havana, (Island of Cuba,) its Grand Master addresses to the Masonic world."

10th, 11th, 12th, 13th. Sundry communications from the Grand Secretary of the (so-called) Grand Lodge of Colon, at Havana, Island of Cuba, dated respectively on the twenty-fifth day of November and twentieth day of December, 1877, and on the fourteenth and sixteenth days of February, 1878, relative to the alleged legitimacy of that body—giving a statement of its history, and asking for its recognition and an exchange of representatives.

14th. A communication, in not particularly good English, dated from "the office of the Grand Foreign Representative of the *M. W.* Grand Lodge of Colon for Cuba and the other Spanish West India Islands," at New Orleans, on the twenty-first day of March, 1878, and signed by "G. SEGUI Y GAHONA, Grand Representative," stating that he had submitted his credentials to the Grand Lodge of Louisiana and that "the same were referred to the Committee on Correspondence, which committee is determined to gather informations from all reliable sources, etc.—that he is confident that the Grand Lodge of Colon is the only lawful Grand Body for symbolic Masonry in the Island of Cuba, etc.—that he desires recognition as the representative of that body—that if the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba has been, or is about to be, recognized by our Grand Lodge upon documents which were shown or produced, the same were forged, false, or obtained by force and violence"—that "the Grand Lodge of Colon rests upon legitimate and well-recognized grounds which were never disputed"—and that "she has always, as she is still, working the Scottish Rite."

15th, 16th. Two communications from Bro. ANTONIO GOVIN, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Colon, dated at Havana, on the thirteenth day of April, 1878,—the first being entitled a "Refutation of the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of New York about the so-called 'Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba'"—and the second presenting a comparative history of the two Grand Bodies now claiming jurisdiction in the Island of Cuba, and asserting that the Grand Lodge of Colon is the only true and legitimate one.

17th. A pamphlet containing the printed proceedings of the (so-called) Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba, from its organization on the first day of August, 1876, to the second day of April, 1878, and a list of the Lodges composing said body at the date last named.

18th, 19th. Two communications from "the office of the Grand Representative of the *M. W.* Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba," at New York, dated respectively on the fifteenth day of October, 1877, and the tenth day of July, 1878, giving lists of the Grand Bodies (twenty in number) which, at the date last named, had recognized that Grand Lodge, and calling attention to certain matters relative to the history of the Grand Lodge of Colon.

20th. A letter from the Grand Secretary General of the Grand Orient of Spain, dated at Madrid, on the twentieth day of March, 1878, inclosing a communication from that Grand Body, setting forth the vicissitudes through which it has passed in consequence of unjustifiable persecutions, and of errors and bad faith on the part of the clergy and the government; exhibiting a statement of the prosperity which has attended it since its reorganization only two years ago; and soliciting the kindly and fraternal consideration of our Grand Lodge.

21st. A communication from the Grand Orient of Egypt, dated at Alexandria, on the fifteenth day of May, 1878, expressive of its horror of wars and of its hope that the influence of Freemasonry may always hereafter be used for the preservation of peace among the nations.

The Committee on Jurisprudence, in its concluding report at the last Annual Communication, relative to matters presented in the Address of the Grand Master, stated that "the subject of the incorporation of Lodges demands more time than the committee can give at this Communication," and desired that it be referred to the committee for the present year. It has, therefore, again been placed before that committee, as unfinished business, together with the accompanying inquiry as to "the manner of election and power of trustees" for the purpose of purchasing and holding property. See pages 22 and 197, proceedings of 1877.

A few other matters, presented in the Address of the Grand Master last year, appear to have escaped the notice of the committee above named; and they also, as unfinished business, have again been thereto referred, as follows:—

1st. Whether, in a case where a Mason has been duly summoned to appear for trial, and "remains away," but puts in "a plea of guilty through a brother," the trial should proceed *ex parte*.

2d. Whether, in a case where a Mason was in prison awaiting trial on a charge of murder, "the Lodge should at once proceed to have charges preferred against the prisoner," or should defer action until after trial by the proper criminal court.

3d. Whether the Secretary of a Lodge "would be justified in refusing the dues of a suspended member from persons who might be deemed as having personal interests in collecting and paying the same, even without the knowledge or consent of the suspended member."

4th. Whether a Master should entertain "charges against a brother who had purchased goods from another brother, and subsequently, although in the possession of funds, left the country without paying for the articles bought."

5th. Whether Lodges in this State should be permitted to ask for contributions from Lodges in other jurisdictions for the purpose of organizing relief funds, or for any other purpose.

6th. Whether, after the reception and approval of a report, a Lodge can expunge any part thereof?

Since the last Annual Communication, nine special dispensations have been issued from this office by direction of the Grand Master. Of these, six were to permit reballots upon the petitions of rejected applicants for the degrees, within the period of prohibition prescribed by the general provisions of our law, sufficient reasons having been presented therefor; and three were to authorize the elections of officers at times other than the regular one provided in our Constitution, the necessity for such elections having been made apparent. The action of the several Lodges presenting the foregoing appears to have been in accordance with the provisions of our laws, and the petitions, together with such correspondence as relates to them, are herewith submitted.

On the twenty-eighth day of December, 1877, the Grand Master gave permission to Clinton Lodge, No. 119, to remove its place of meeting from Piety Hill, in the county of Shasta, to Igo, in the same county.

The transcripts of trial-records which have been received at this office since the last annual report, in cases where notices of appeal have been filed in accordance

with the law, are as follows—all which have been placed in the hands of the chairman of the Committee on Grievances—viz.: from—

<i>Pacific</i> ,	No. 136, . . . Jacob Deutsch, ... reprimanded, . . . Sept. 3, 1878;
<i>Claiborne</i> ,	“ 185, . . . Charles Lyman, ... suspended, . . . May 25, 1878;
<i>Evening Star</i> ,	“ 186, . . . Elisha Henry Hall, ... expelled, . . . Ap'l 27, 1878;
<i>Ferndale</i> ,	“ 193, . . . James Howard, ... expelled, . . . Dec. 22, 1877;
<i>Pentalpha</i> ,	“ 202, . . . James Edwin Griffin, ... suspended, . . . July 15, 1878;
<i>King David's</i> ,	“ 209, . . . David Patrick Mallagh, ... suspended, . . . July 10, 1878.

The transcripts of similar records, unaccompanied by notices of appeal, which have been received during the same period, and which have also been handed to the chairman of the Committee on Grievances, are as follows, viz.: from—

<i>California</i> ,	No. 1, . . . Eli Cook, ... expelled, . . . Oct. 3, 1878;
<i>Hawaiian</i> ,	“ 21, . . . Robert More, ... expelled, . . . May 6, 1878;
<i>Santa Clara</i> ,	“ 34, . . . Samuel Wm. Johnson, ... suspended, . . . Sept. 7, 1878;
<i>Mount Moriah</i> ,	“ 44, . . . Charles Louis Wiggin, ... expelled, . . . Sept. 4, 1878;
<i>Pajaro</i> ,	“ 110, . . . Norman Richard Griswold, ... expelled, . . . Ap'l 13, 1878;
<i>Violet</i> ,	“ 133, . . . John Jay Lawyer, ... expelled, . . . Aug. 9, 1878;
<i>Excelsior</i> ,	“ 166, . . . William Charles Ashton, ... expelled, . . . May 1, 1878;
<i>Drytown</i> ,	“ 174, . . . Robt. McCallum Gilmore, ... suspended, . . . July 10, 1878;
<i>Aztlán</i> ,	“ 177, . . . William Partridge, ... expelled, . . . July 27, 1878;
<i>Phoenix</i> ,	“ 178, . . . Isaac Hershel Levy, ... expelled, . . . July 1, 1878;
<i>Oakland</i> ,	“ 188, . . . George Miller Pinney, ... acquitted, . . . Feb. 2, 1878;
<i>Northern Light</i> ,	“ 190, . . . Alonzo Flansburg, ... expelled, . . . June 24, 1878;
<i>Bakersfield</i> ,	“ 224, . . . Morris Jacoby (E. A.), ... expelled, . . . Feb. 15, 1878;
<i>Contra Costa</i> ,	“ 227, . . . William Reese Prutton, ... suspended, . . . May 14, 1878;
<i>Magnolia</i> ,	“ 242, . . . Daniel H. Ketcham, ... expelled, . . . June 21, 1878.

The following papers have also been received and handed to the chairman of the Committee on Grievances, viz.:—

1st. A petition for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry from CHARLES HOWARD GORDON, who was expelled by *Woodbridge* Lodge, No. 131, on the sixteenth day of January, 1875; with a communication from that Lodge in answer to said petition and opposing the restoration.

2d. A petition for restoration, as above, from WILLIAM HENRY SAVAGE, who was expelled by *Inyo* Lodge, No. 221, on the twenty-first day of August, 1875; accompanied by a communication from that Lodge, conveying the unanimous desire of its members, as expressed at a stated meeting, held on the tenth day of August, 1878, that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

3d. A petition for restoration, as above, from HENRY LYSTER, who was suspended by *Pajaro* Lodge, No. 110, on the twenty-seventh day of December, 1873.

4th. A petition for restoration, as above, from JOHN F. PINCKHAM, who was expelled by *Santa Cruz* Lodge, No. 38, on the twenty-eighth day of July, 1860.

5th. A petition for restoration, as above, from JULIUS ADLER, who was suspended by *Fidelity* Lodge, No. 120, on the fourth day of November, 1875.

6th. An appeal of JAMES HOWARD from the action of *Ferndale* Lodge, No. 193, in expelling him from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, on the twenty-second day of December, 1877; with sundry accompanying papers.

7th. A communication from Bro. MALCOLM MOUNT, who signs himself as “counsel for *Keith* Lodge, No. 187,” stating that that Lodge, by him, appeals from the verdict of a commission thereof, which, as reported on the eleventh day of May last, acquitted Bro. COOPER COMINS of certain charges which had been preferred against him. Upon receipt of the communication, the Secretary of *Keith* Lodge was requested to forward a transcript of the trial-record; and he responded that Bro.

MOUNT was mistaken, and that no appeal had been taken or authorized by the Lodge. The communication and the Secretary's letter are herewith submitted.

A communication has been received from the Master of *San Jose* Lodge, No. 10, which is herewith submitted, stating that the lot, in which is the grave of our Past Grand Secretary, Bro. LEVI STOWELL, had been for some time uncared for, until he had directed such reparation as was immediately necessary; that a very small sum would suffice to put it and keep it in good order; and suggesting that some action be taken therefor, either by the Grand Lodge or the Lodge of which Bro. STOWELL had been a member.

A printed circular, dated at Beyroot, Syria, on the twenty-seventh day of October, 1877, purporting to be from the "Lodge *Lebanon*, of the Grand Orient of France," and asking for "pecuniary assistance for the purpose of erecting Masonic schools and benevolent institutions" in that country, has also been received and is herewith presented.

During the months of August and September, 1877, several Lodges paid their dues, or a considerable portion of them, in silver. By a resolution of the Grand Lodge, adopted in 1876, gold, or its equivalent, was required for such payments. At the time of the payments mentioned the discount on silver was from five to six per cent. Five per cent. was charged to all the Lodges thus paying; and it is proper to say that all very cheerfully paid the discount. The amounts of the discounts thus received were as follows:—

On \$60 25, <i>Truckee</i> ,	No. 200, \$3 00	On \$71 75, <i>Santa Clara</i> ,	No. 34, \$3 60
" 71 40, <i>Vitruvius</i>	" 145, 3 40	" 60 00, <i>Granite</i> ,	" 222, 3 00
" 100 75, <i>Yount</i> ,	" 12, 5 00	" 44 00, <i>Santa Ana</i> ,	" 241, 2 20
" 65 00, <i>Alameda</i> ,	" 167, 3 25	" 28 75, <i>Pleasanton</i> ,	" 218, 1 40
" 64 50, <i>Russian River</i> ,	" 181, 3 25		
" 71 50, <i>Lexington</i> ,	" 104, 3 60	Total amount received.....	\$31 70

It was not found necessary to sell any of the silver, as it was all used in the course of the year in payment of small bills of the Grand Lodge, and therefore the above amount of \$31 70 will be seen placed to its credit in the books.

The undersigned is glad to say that thanks are due to Bro. DAVID KAY FYFE, Inspector of the thirty-second Masonic District (comprising the Hawaiian Islands), and WILLIAM HENRY CORNWELL, Master of the late *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, at Wailuku, Island of Maui, for the praiseworthy manner in which the affairs of that Lodge were settled up after the surrender of its charter, mentioned in an earlier portion of this report. As will be seen in the account which follows, its unpaid dues of two years past, amounting to \$38 00, have been forwarded, together with the sum of \$417 10, being cash on hand in its treasury and the net proceeds of sales of its property and effects, after payment of all its debts.

A communication has been received from *Hawaiian* Lodge, No. 21, at Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, praying that the moneys which have been paid into the Grand Lodge treasury from the funds of the extinct *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, be donated to the charity fund of the Lodge first named. The reasons presented for such petition are that "that money was raised entirely from Masons resident in these Islands;" that "it would seem only just that it should be expended for charity in our midst;" and that the numerous calls for assistance to which Hawaiian Lodge is peculiarly subjected, induces its members to think that this petition is not unreasonable. The paper is herewith submitted.

The various registers and account-books of this office, the vouchers for the orders drawn on the Grand Treasurer, the several letter-books for the year, the files of letters received from within and without the jurisdiction, and all other papers concerning the business of the Grand Lodge, not hereinbefore mentioned, are herewith presented for inspection; as is also an account of the revenues of the Grand Lodge

77	-8.	CONTRA.							Cr.	
1877.									Rep. Fund.	Gen. Fund.
Oct. 13.		Paid to the Grand Treasurer, as per his receipt,.....							\$2,995 50	
" 15.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		\$13,733 00
" 15.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		659 00
" 16.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		150 00
" 31.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"	11 75	67 00
Nov. 12.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		10 00
" 30.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		10 00
1878.										
Jan. 14.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		659 00
" 30.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		10 00
" 31.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		75 00
Mch. 5.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		75 00
" 12.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		10 00
" 25.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		10 00
Apr. 5.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		659 00
" 29.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		20 00
July 5.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		659 00
" 17.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		38 00
" 22.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		75 00
" 23.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		75 00
" 30.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		75 00
" 31.		"	"	"	"	"	"	"		773 27
Total payments to the Grand Treasurer,.....									\$3,007 25	\$17,842 27
Making an aggregate amount of.....										\$20,849 52

In addition to that portion of this report which relates to the finances of the Grand Lodge, it is necessary to add that that body is the owner of twenty-six hundred and thirty-six shares of the stock of the "Masonic Hall Association of the city of San Francisco," (the stock having been doubled during the past year,) the par value of which is ten dollars each, although the real value is at least eleven dollars—amounting to about twenty-nine thousand dollars; and that, during the fiscal year, as shown in the foregoing account, the Grand Lodge has received from dividends on said stock, in addition to its usual revenues, the sum of twenty-six hundred and thirty-six dollars.

As during a long time past, the undersigned has the gratification of being enabled to state that, during the fiscal year just reported, the returns from all the Lodges had been received and their dues had all been paid.

All which is respectfully submitted by

ALEXANDER G. ABELL,

Grand Secretary.

Which report was ordered to be referred to the committee to which had been referred the Address of the Grand Master.

The Grand Treasurer presented his Annual Report to the Grand Lodge, as follows:—

Paid for sundry printing during the year, as per vouchers Nos. 1, 5, 12, 32, 35, 42, 52, 60, 71, 72, 77,.....	241 25
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Paid for rent of offices of the Grand Lodge for the year, as per vouchers Nos. 16, 45, 64, 81,.....	900 00	
Paid for sundry stationery, blank books, blanks, etc., as per vouchers Nos. 24, 27, 43, 53, 58, 70,.....	50 70	
Paid for postage, box rent, packing-boxes, repair of seal-press, newspapers, coal, etc., as per vouchers Nos. 2, 10, 33, 37, 51, 55, 56, 62, 73,.....	40 95	
Paid for incidental expenses of the Grand Secretary's office for the year, as per vouchers Nos. 20, 48, 67, 85,....	420 48	\$3,766 68

For account of Extra Expenditures ordered:

Paid to the several Boards of Relief in the State, by order of the Grand Lodge, as per vouchers Nos. 25, 28, 29, 30, 31,.....	\$2,800 00	
Paid to the Grand Master, appropriation for contingent expenses, as per vouchers Nos. 68, 79,.....	500 00	
Paid to the chairman of the Committee on Correspondence for the year 1877, as per voucher No. 26,.....	250 00	
Paid for binding 300 copies Vol. XII., Proceedings of 1875-6, as per voucher No. 36,.....	170 00	
Paid for new book cases, ordered at last Communication, as per voucher No. 54,.....	220 00	
Paid for 300 sheets of parchment for diplomas, etc., as per voucher No. 78,.....	130 45	
Paid for janitor, lithography, translations, ornamental writing, repairs of furniture and carpets, etc., as per vouchers Nos. 3, 4, 14, 38, 39, 40, 44, 49, 61, 63, 69, 74, 75, 80,.....	168 70	\$4,239 15

For account of Payment of Representatives, etc.:

Paid to representatives of Lodges for traveling expenses to and from the Grand Lodge at its Annual Communicataion in 1877, as per pay roll submitted,.....	\$3,664 50	
Paid to appointed Grand Officers and chairmen of Standing Committees in 1877, as per above named pay roll,.....	131 50	\$3,796 00
Being a total of disbursements to July 31st, 1878, of.....		\$17,618 93

RECAPITULATION.

	Rep. Fund.	Gen. Fund.
Balance remaining in the treasury August 1st, 1877,.....		\$16 55
Receipts during the year ending July 31st, 1878,.....	\$3,007 25	\$17,842 27
Total amount of balances and receipts,.....	\$3,007 25	\$17,858 82
Disbursements during the year ending July 31st, 1878,.....	3,796 00	13,822 93
Showing balance to debit of the Representative Fund of...	\$788 75	
And a balance to the credit of the General Fund of....		\$4,035 89
Which being transferred,.....		788 75

Exhibits a general balance in the treasury, August 1st, 1878, of \$3,247 14
 The vouchers for all the foregoing, with the Grand Treasurer's account-books, are herewith presented.

It is proper to add that the 1318 shares of stock in the Masonic Hall Association of San Francisco, heretofore reported, was doubled during the year just past, so that the Grand Lodge now possesses 2636 shares of that stock, the par value per share of which is \$10, though the real value of the whole at this date is fully twenty-nine thousand dollars.

All which is respectfully submitted by

MOSES HELLER.

Grand Treasurer.

Which report, with the accompanying books and vouchers, was referred to the Committee on Finances.

The Grand Lecturer presented his Annual Report to the Grand Lodge, as follows :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

In accordance with our regulation I herewith submit my annual report. During the past year I have issued certificates of qualification (form 2,) to the re-elected Masters of the following Lodges, viz.: Nos. 127, 128, 163, 191, 204, 214, and 240, and also (form 1,) to the Masters elect of Lodges Nos. 2, 50, 123, and 219, who were by me examined and found proficient.

I accompanied the M. W. Grand Master on the following official visits, viz.: to Gilroy, San Diego, Los Angeles, Mendocino, Punta Arenas, Duncan's Mills, Colusa, San Luis Obispo, Yreka, Chico, Sacramento, and twice to Napa. At each of these places, excepting Punta Arenas, Duncan's Mills, and Sacramento, district meetings were held, and, with but few exceptions, each Lodge in the district was represented. The meetings were well attended, and, with but a single exception, the best of harmony and good feeling prevailed. In most cases the officers who exemplified the work were quite proficient in the ritual, and the work was done in a creditable manner.

To make these visits,—the districts being so widely separated, some at the extreme northern part of the State and others at the extreme south,—has taken considerable of my time ; but the laudable desire of the brethren to perfect themselves in the ritual and improve their work, the kind and fraternal spirit in which they received instruction, and the hospitable manner in which we were received, made these visits a source of real pleasure and gratification, and constituted an ample reward for the time, inconvenience, and, in some instances, hardships endured to reach the remote districts. A synopsis of the reports of inspection is herewith presented.

Inspector JOHN A. WATSON reports the five Lodges of the first district as working as well as could be expected, endeavoring to do their best, with good feeling and harmony prevailing.

Inspector WILLIAM C. LEMMON reports having visited each of the four Lodges comprising the fifth district, and having found them possessing a knowledge of, and working in accordance with, the ritual as prescribed by our Grand Lodge.

Inspector BENJAMIN W. BARNES, of the sixth district, reports the four Lodges under his charge as in good working condition, but with little work.

Inspector IANTHIS J. ROLFE, of the eighth district, reports that, during the past year, he has devoted much time to the discharge of his duties in instructing Masters and other officers, but believes that much yet remains to be done to have the work what is desired. He fears that that will never be accomplished until subordinate officers qualify themselves better for their positions. He says that the Masters of the five Lodges comprising his district are all well qualified and do their work in a creditable manner, but that, with few exceptions, those who are called upon to fill minor positions in conferring the degrees are very deficient in the text and are not disposed to give the necessary time to properly qualify themselves. Bro. ROLFE is right. It matters not how proficient a Master may be ; he alone cannot confer the degrees. Nor can the third degree be conferred properly unless each brother taking a part in the ceremony knows what he has to say and what to do. The practice of asking brethren at the last moment to perform parts with which they are not familiar is wrong and should not be encouraged. The success of the third degree depends entirely upon the correct manner in which those who assume the minor positions perform their parts, and I would suggest that Masters, immediately after their installation, make careful selections, and appoint those required to confer the second

section of that degree, to serve during their term of office. The brethren thus appointed should study the character they have been selected to represent, perfect themselves in the ritual, and become proficient in its delineation. The result would be good work and full Lodges. Bro. ROLFE concludes his very able report with a protest against the changes made in the monitorial work approved by the Grand Lodge some years ago. He does not regard the changes as improvements, nor as having been material ; in all which I concur.

Inspector ORRIN W. HOLLENBECK reports that five of the ten Lodges comprising the ninth district re-elected their Masters of the previous year, who were granted certificates of qualification without re-examination. The other five elected new Masters, four of whom were duly examined and qualified by him ; the fifth was, at his request, qualified by Inspector THOMAS C. POCKMAN, of the fifteenth district, who issued the necessary certificate. Inspector HOLLENBECK regrets that, on account of pressure of business, he was unable to visit all the Lodges in his district. He, however, inspected five Lodges, Nos. 16, 101, 200, 222, and 238. These, he says, perform their work well and are notably accurate. He says that having been Inspector of the district several years, and being thoroughly acquainted with all its Lodges, he is able to speak understandingly of their work, notwithstanding that he had not visited them all this year ; and, with one exception only, he can report favorably concerning them. Regarding the visits of Inspectors, he is decidedly of the opinion (as he has heretofore expressed,) that they should be made at the option of the Inspector, save in cases where he is requested by the Lodge to do so. The yearly visits he believes may in some instances be necessary, but the Inspector should be the judge of this, if he has occupied the position as long as most of the Inspectors have. He knows the material of the Lodges, the competency or incompetency of their officers, whether or not there are abuses that need correction, or whether the Lodge will be benefited by the visit, and, unless necessary, should be free from any expense. Many of the Lodges, he says, are poor, and their funds should not be spent unnecessarily. Bro. HOLLENBECK has made many valuable suggestions to this Grand Lodge to perfect our system of inspection during the many years he has so ably discharged the duties of Inspector, and it is hoped that his suggestions regarding visits will receive proper consideration. In conclusion he adds, that the ninth district has three Lodges whose work excels the standard, six whose work equals it, and one whose work falls below it. This last Lodge cannot confer a degree without assistance from neighboring Lodges. I congratulate Bro. HOLLENBECK on the proficiency of the Lodges in his district. Perhaps, with a little extra exertion, a change of officers, or a visit from the Grand Master, the unfortunate Lodge may in a short time redeem itself and receive a place among those so honorably mentioned "as excelling the standard."

Inspector ROBERT E. WARREN, of the tenth district, reports Lodges Nos. 111 and 230 as in good working order, in a prosperous condition, and as having the work as exemplified by the Grand Lecturer. No application had been made to him for certificates of qualification from the Masters of the three other Lodges in his district, whom he *supposed* had been re-elected and therefore required no certificate. The regulation prescribes that all Masters, re-elected or otherwise, shall present to the installing officer, previous to their installation, a certificate of qualification from the Inspector of the district or from the Grand Lecturer, which certificate shall be forwarded to this office. By a recent enactment an Inspector may issue a certificate to a re-elected Master without re-examination, if he be satisfied of his proficiency in the work and lectures. The installation of any Master without such certificate is a direct violation of an edict of the Grand Lodge. The installation service should be so arranged, that when the Master elect is presented to the installing officer and the usual questions are asked—"Is it known that Bro. A. B. is well skilled in our ancient Craft? Is he zealous in his regard for the interests of our Order? And is he duly qualified to discharge the special duties of the Master's chair?"—the Master of the Ceremonies should say: "It is well known that he is all this, Worshipful Master.

This certificate of qualification is evidence that he is well skilled in our ancient Craft. (At the same time presenting the certificate). I find him to be of good morals," etc. If the presentation of a certificate of qualification was made part of the installation service, it would remedy the evil, and future Grand Lecturers might be able to report that regulation complied with, or give the reasons why it was not.

Inspector LEWIS L. BOWERS reports having visited all the Lodges in the twelfth district, and he sums up as follows: Three are in good working order and fine condition; one has conferred but one degree during the past year, is in poor working order, and has not had a stated meeting for two months on account of the absence of the Master; and one does not manifest enough zeal and interest in the work to insure progress.

Inspector FRANCIS E. WARREN, of the thirteenth district, has visited four of his five Lodges, which he reports in good condition. He would have inspected the remaining one (No. 231) had not the Master requested him to postpone his visit as the Lodge could not at that time afford the expense, having exhausted nearly all its funds for the relief of a destitute brother.

Inspector JOHN Q. ADAMS reports, in detail, the ten Lodges comprising the sixteenth district as being in fine condition, and, with two exceptions, doing good work. He has visited eight of them, exemplified the work, and given general instruction where necessary.

Inspector THOS. C. POCKMAN, of the seventeenth district, reports that he personally examined and issued certificates of qualification to all the Masters of his district. He is pleased to state that they passed a much better examination than in the previous year.

Inspector GEORGE BURNHAM, of the eighteenth district, reports that, owing to ill-health and a pressure of business, he has not been able to make the usual visits to his Lodges, as heretofore. There has been but little done during the past year, only two Lodges having had work. Six of the nine Lodges comprising his district had re-elected their Masters, and the work of the three others he was familiar with. He credits them all with being well skilled.

Inspector EDWARD R. HEDGES, of the twentieth district, reported verbally that the Lodges in his district had not done much work, but were not deteriorating.

Inspector JAMES RANKIN reports having visited two of the four Lodges comprising the twenty-first district, one of which had not conferred any degrees during the past year. One of the Lodges which he did not visit had re-elected its officers, whose work he had seen the previous year; and he had made sufficient inquiry as to the proficiency of the other to assure him that it was in good working order.

Inspector ARPAD HARASZTHY, of the twenty-third district, reports having issued certificates of qualification to the Masters elect of thirteen Lodges, who, with one exception, were by him examined, and found proficient. He has visited all the fifteen Lodges in his district, inspected their work, and reports them as in good condition. He says that the various officers of the Lodges under his charge, without an exception, have, during the past year, endeavored to acquire the highest state of proficiency; and he is pleased to note that, year after year, a greater uniformity is being attained, and also a clearer conception of the most important points of the ritual. He regrets that the attendance has not been in proportion to the membership of the various Lodges. Especially has this been noticeable at the stated meetings, which should always be well attended, as the greatest caution and vigilance ought to be exercised when balloting for candidates for the degrees.

Inspector ROBERT C. BRODER reports the three Lodges comprising the twenty-seventh district as being in good order. He remained with one eleven days, giving instructions in the ritual, and expects good work from them in the future.

Inspector IRVING N. MCGUIRE does not claim for the three Lodges comprising the twenty-eighth district the highest state of perfection, but declares them to be in a healthy condition and doing good average work.

Inspector JONATHAN D. HINES, of the twenty-ninth district, regrets not having been able to visit all the Lodges in his district; but he is so well acquainted with the officers and members of those which he did not visit, that he is able to say that few Lodges in the jurisdiction can show more true Masonic spirit, clearer observance of the prescribed work, more accurate accounts, or greater veneration for the laws and usages of the institution than they. Of his own Lodge he says that the officers and brethren are fully awake to the several duties required of them, and appear to conform, in all respects, to the work and requirements of the Grand Lodge.

Inspector WILLIAM W. ROBINSON reports, in detail, the condition of each of the nine Lodges comprising the thirtieth district, so far as their knowledge of the work and ritual is concerned. He had visited each of them, exemplified the work, and given such instructions as were required. With some he remained several days, and was pleased with the interest manifested and improvements made. He recommended to those Lodges which had no work to hold practice-meetings, which they did, with good results. He concludes his very able report as follows: "Although there has been but little work during the past year, outside of the city of Los Angeles, caused perhaps, principally, by the prostration of business, there has been an improvement in the work in six of the Lodges, no improvement in one, and a deterioration in two. On my visit to the Lodges, after the visit of the Grand Master and Grand Lecturer, I found that their visit had had a very beneficial effect in creating renewed interest in the work and confidence in their Inspector's rendition of it."

Inspector DAVID K. FYFE, of the thirty-second district, (Hawaiian Islands,) having closed the affairs of *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, but one Lodge, his own, was left him to inspect, and this, *Hawaiian*, No. 21, he reports as in good condition.

No certificates of qualification have been received from the Masters of the following Lodges, viz.: *Sacramento*, No. 40, *Hornitos*, No. 98, *Oroville*, No. 103, *Nicolaus*, No. 129, *Keystone*, No. 161, *Aztlan*, No. 177, *Confidence*, No. 203, and *Monterey*, No. 217.

In the case of *Confidence* Lodge, No. 203, it appears that an election for officers was held at the usual time, but that the brother chosen as Master was not present, did not want the office, and would not qualify; whereupon the previous Master held over without a certificate. The Master elect of *Monterey* Lodge, No. 217, did not qualify and has since been suspended for non-payment of dues. In a few instances certificates were issued which the installing officers failed to transmit to this office. The Masters of the others were no doubt re-elected and installed under the mistaken idea that they required no certificate of qualification.

The following officers have not reported to the Grand Lecturer: Inspector ABISHA SWAIN, of the second district; Inspector JOHN CLEMENTS, of the third district; Inspector JOHN C. PARTRIDGE, of the fourth district; Inspector JOSEPH A. FLINT, of the eleventh district; Inspector WOODS CRAWFORD, of the fourteenth district; Inspector BENJAMIN F. TUTTLE, of the fifteenth district; Inspector ROBERT AITKEN, of the nineteenth district; Inspector ELIPHALET M. SMITH, of the twenty-second district; Inspector SAMUEL W. BORING, of the twenty-fourth district; Inspector JOSEPH WARNER, of the twenty-sixth district; and Inspector SOLON W. CRAIGUE, of the thirty-first district. The failures to receive the above reports render it impossible for me to present to the Grand Lodge a full account of the Craft within those several districts; and it is to be hoped that the brethren will see the importance of furnishing reports in the future, in order that the Grand Lecturer may be able to make his report full and complete.

In conclusion I tender my thanks to the officers and members of the various Lodges, with whom I have had official intercourse, for the many acts of kindness received at their hands, which will long be cherished by me.

All which is respectfully submitted by

JOHN WERNER SHAEFFER,

Grand Lecturer.

Which report was ordered to be referred to a special committee of five, and the Grand Master named the following brethren to constitute such committee—

On the Report of the Grand Lecturer : { Bro. Silas Montgomery Buck,
" Isaac Sherman Halsey,
" Joseph Bailey Cooke,
" Dimsdill Burr Carver,
" George Frederick Wooderson.

Bro. WILLIAM H. HILL, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, presented the following report, the reading of which was dispensed with, the members having been furnished with printed copies thereof :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

The undersigned, as chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, has received from the Grand Secretary, and passed in review, the proceedings of the following Grand Lodges :—

ALABAMA,.....for Dec.,...1877	NEBRASKA,.....for June,...1878
ARKANSAS,....." Oct.,...1877	NEVADA,....." June,...1877
CANADA,....." Sept.,...1877	NEVADA,....." June,...1878
COLORADO,....." Sept.,...1877	NEW BRUNSWICK,....." Sept.,...1877
CONNECTICUT,....." Jan.,...1878	NEW HAMPSHIRE,.....to May,...1877
DAKOTA,....." June,...1877	NEW HAMPSHIRE,....." May,...1878
DELAWARE,....." Oct.,...1877	NEW JERSEY,.....for Jan.,...1878
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, to Dec.,...1877	NEW MEXICO,....." Aug.,...1877
FLORIDA,.....for Jan.,...1878	NEW YORK,....." June,...1878
GEORGIA,....." Oct.,...1877	NORTH CAROLINA,....." Dec.,...1877
IDAHO,....." Sept.,...1877	NOVA SCOTIA,....." June,...1877
ILLINOIS,....." Oct.,...1877	OHIO,....." Oct.,...1877
INDIANA,....." May,...1878	OREGON,....." June,...1877
IOWA,....." June,...1878	PENNSYLVANIA,.....to Dec.,...1877
KANSAS,....." Oct.,...1877	PRINCE EDWARD ISL'D, for Feb.,...1877
KENTUCKY,....." Oct.,...1877	PRINCE EDWARD ISL'D, " Feb.,...1878
LOUISIANA,....." Feb.,...1878	QUEBEC,....." Sept.,...1877
MAINE,....." May,...1878	RHODE ISLAND,.....to May,...1877
MARYLAND,.....to Nov.,...1877	SOUTH CAROLINA,.....for Dec.,...1877
MARYLAND,....." May,...1878	TENNESSEE,....." Nov.,...1877
MASSACHUSETTS,....." June,...1878	TEXAS,....." Dec.,...1877
MICHIGAN,.....for Jan.,...1877	UTAH,....." Nov.,...1877
MICHIGAN,....." Jan.,...1878	VERMONT,....." June,...1877
MINNESOTA,....." Jan.,...1878	VIRGINIA,....." Dec.,...1877
MISSISSIPPI,....." Feb.,...1878	WASHINGTON,....." Sept.,...1877
MISSOURI,....." Oct.,...1877	WEST VIRGINIA,....." Nov.,...1877
MONTANA,....." Oct.,...1877	WISCONSIN,....." June,...1877
NEBRASKA,....." June,...1877	WYOMING,....." Oct.,...1877

ALABAMA.

The fifty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alabama was commenced in the city of Montgomery, on the third day of December, 1877. The Grand Master being absent, the R. W. HENRY CLAY ARMSTRONG, Deputy Grand Master, presided, the R. W. DANIEL SAYRE being Grand Secretary. One hundred and eighty-two Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master PALMER J. PILLANS—a brief but well-written document—was presented and read by the Grand Secretary. He expressed his regret at his inability to attend this Communication of the Grand Lodge, and congratulated the Fraternity on the “better dawning for Masonry in the State. Though but few Lodges had been formed, yet several of those which had become dormant had been recalled to life and vigor.” He had issued dispensations for the formation of five new Lodges.

The Grand Master of Wisconsin having complained of the violation of his jurisdiction, in conferring the degrees upon a rejected candidate from that State, the Grand Master, on inquiry, finding the complaint well founded, had made suitable apologies, and the good feeling between the two jurisdictions continues.

Several of the decisions of the Grand Master are published, but we find none calling for special comment.

Past Grand Master JAMES MCCAULEY WILEY, a veteran Mason, having died during the year, the Grand Lodge paid suitable tribute to his memory. A committee thus speak of his Masonic life and character :—

Our deceased brother, for nearly a half century, exemplified by his upright walk and blameless character, the principles of truth, love, and charity, as taught in the solemn ceremonies and obligations of our Order, and by an enthusiastic devotion to Masonry, not surpassed by any of his cotemporaries, gave proof of the sincerity of his profession, and his unwavering faith in the teachings of Masonry to promote peace and good will among men; and, for thirty-six years, without intermission, he faithfully attended the annual Communications of this Grand Lodge, and during that period, filled most of the positions of official dignity with credit and honor, and by his experience and wise counsels contributed largely towards shaping its edicts and promoting its prosperity, and was twice elected Grand Master, receiving and wearing with becoming dignity the highest honors which his brethren could bestow. Full of years and crowned with honors, loved and venerated, he has passed away, we trust, to a seat above the starry-decked heavens, where all true Masons hope at last to arrive.

The Grand Lodge decided that no appeal could be taken from the decision of a subordinate Lodge by one not a member thereof, unless he himself was the defendant. One Lodge had acquitted an accused brother of the charges brought against him, but then “censured him for drinking too much.” The Lodge unquestionably deemed itself to be a court of equity as well as of law.

The Committee on Correspondence submitted an elaborate report upon the rival claims of the “United Grand Orient” and the “Supreme Council of Brazil in the Valley of Lavradio,” to be the “genuine, original Jacobs,” (masonically speaking) of that Empire. While doubt existed in the minds of the committee, they concluded not to disturb the present relations, which were with the last named body. They state the following as having been the cause of that recognition, and it certainly shows that that Orient knows how to do good Masonic work, even if it should be a little irregular :—

A few years ago the generous, large, and warm-hearted charity exercised by the Masons of Brazil toward the family of a brother of this jurisdiction who had died among them, a stranger, leaving his dear ones in bitter desolation and distress, touched a chord of responsive and fraternal sympathy which filled the hearts of the whole fraternity in Alabama. We have never known to which branch or division of our Brazilian brothers we owe this illustration of the genuine spirit of Masonic charity. Indeed, it occurred, if we mistake not, about the time when a union—unfortunately only of brief duration—had been effected between the two parties. It so happened, however, that while the emotions excited by the exhibition of fraternal charity, just referred to, were still fresh in our minds and memories, overtures for official intercommunion were made by the “Grand Orient of Brazil,” of the Valley of Lavradio. It is probably safe to assume that, when these overtures were received, not half a dozen members of this Grand Lodge, probably not a member, was aware of the existence of any conflict in Brazil; nor is it likely that the question of an organic diversity, and perhaps incompatibility, in the composition of both Grand Bodies claiming jurisdiction in that country, as compared with our own system, was seriously considered. Acting on the impulses of the heart, rather than on the sober conclusions of a judgment formed after due and careful examination, the proposition was at once accepted in the same fraternal spirit in which it was tendered.

A Master of a Lodge, who found himself wholly unable to discharge the duties of that position, asked permission of the Grand Lodge to resign his office, but was answered in the words of a Past Grand Master: "Worshipful Masters cannot resign."

Here is a report on a case, the like of which often disturbs the peace and harmony of a Lodge, but we suppose that the committee state the law correctly. Such provoking questions can only be settled by the law of courtesy and brotherhood:—

The complaint of Brother F. M. POSEY is that he visited *Green Hill* Lodge, No. 402, of which he is not a member, on an occasion when Brother C. J. D. MCCLUSKEY was Worshipful Master. After the Lodge was opened, the Worshipful Master stated that unless Brother POSEY was made to leave the Lodge-room, he would himself be forced to withdraw. Brother POSEY demanded to know the reason, which Brother MCCLUSKEY refused to assign. Brother POSEY thereupon desired his own Lodge to investigate the matter, and the object of bringing this matter before the Grand Lodge was, as your committee presumes from the imperfect papers before them, to force such an investigation.

In the opinion of your committee, this is a matter with which the Grand Lodge should not interfere, unless it be brought before it in a more tangible shape. It does not appear that Brother MCCLUSKEY made any charges against Brother POSEY. There is nothing, therefore, on which this Grand Lodge could base any action requiring an investigation of the affair.

The right of visitation to another Lodge is not absolute in a Mason simply because he is a brother in good standing. It may be denied him without any reason being assigned, and without infringing upon his Masonic rights and privileges. As this is the most that was done in this case, your committee deem that he has no right to an investigation.

The thanks of the Grand Lodge were tendered to the retiring Grand Master, and a Past Grand Master's Jewel was ordered to be prepared, for presentation to him, by the Grand Secretary.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence, filling nearly two hundred pages of the appendix, is again from the pen and judicious scissors of Bro. OLIVER S. BEERS. He does full justice to the various proceedings reviewed—never being afraid to speak his mind plainly in reproof, when called for, though always in kindness. He devotes twelve pages to California for 1876, seven of which are extracts from the Address of Grand Master BROWNE, the best proof of our brother's appreciation of its "ability and utility."

He says the report of Bro. ABELL is "able, comprehensive, and progressive," and congratulates him that he is still "master of the situation, as regards Lodge returns." Judging from the specimens given of some of the errors discovered in the returns from the Alabama Lodges, we would suggest an application of some of Bro. ABELL's "all healing ointment."

Bro. BONTE's oration is spoken of as "excellent and eloquent," and several pages are copied therefrom.

Were not our complexion a decided brunette, we should certainly blush at the compliments heaped upon our unworthy head by Bro. BEERS. We wish that we deserved a tithe of the kind and flattering words spoken. If Bro. B. always does as well as in this and his preceding report, he need not fear a comparison with the best productions of his confreres of the reportorial corps. Having alluded to our report, he follows it with this pithy comment: "From these low grounds of the Gulf-coast may this pleasant HILL episode lure our hesitating feet to attempt to scale even the heights of California attainments." And so much higher, we add, that we may be content to sit at his feet and learn wisdom.

There are four hundred and twenty-three Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of seven thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine.

The M. W. HENRY CLAY ARMSTRONG was elected Grand Master, and the R. W. DANIEL SAYRE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

ARKANSAS.

The Grand Lodge of Arkansas commenced its thirty-ninth Annual Communication, in the city of Little Rock, on the eighth day of October, 1877,—the M. W. M. M. McGUIRE, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. LUKE E. BARBER being Grand Secretary. One hundred Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master shows the facile pen of a brother of the editorial fraternity—another term for the expression of the Psalmist: “the pen of a ready writer.” What can be said better than these glowing paragraphs from the opening of this Address?—

The pathway of life passes over desert sands and through shaded bowers, up steep and rough ascents, and along the smooth and even plain. Through sunshine and shade, through heat and cold, through joy and sorrow, good and evil together blend to fill the hours of human life, and it is well to have milestones on the track of time that we may take note of the distance traveled and have knowledge of the pathway still lying out before us. It gives new life to the weary traveler, crossing the great sandy desert, to stop a brief season by the cooling stream and rest his tired limbs under the refreshing shade. In like manner our annual reunions instill new life into us as Masons. By our oft meeting together our hearts are united; thought blends with thought, and the ties of love and sincere affection bind us together. Those failing to meet with us year after year are the losers. Those who meet with us once desire to come again, and, hence, we see around us this evening old familiar faces—brethren who never fail, “business and health permitting;” they are always here and will be here annually as long as life below shall last. Brethren, I greet you with a brother’s heart and give you the full clasp of a brother’s hand. We notice with regret the absence of some we have learned to honor in past days; we miss their faces before us, and shall miss their voices in our deliberations; but, on the other hand, we hail with pleasure new faces we have not seen before, whom we may learn to love as much in the future as we have those who have gone before them, and their wisdom in council may be as unquestioned.

Since last we met, great events have transpired that shape the destiny, not only of individuals, but of states, of nations, of the world, perhaps. In the old world, bloody handed war with grim visage stalks abroad, wielding his unrelenting sword of vengeance and brandishing the torch of destruction. He has no mercy on old men or maidens, or those that stoop from age, but plunges his bloody sabre alike into innocent and helpless women and children as he does into the mail-clad warrior that opposes his onward march. Over the same country where Paul traveled, preaching peace, now march and countermarch the bloody handed Russian and Turk, both equally wicked and fanatical, both fighting for (as the great primary and moving cause) the supremacy of a religion equally foreign to truth and the will of Heaven—Greek Catholicism vs. Mohammedanism. For the leaders on either side of the conflict we may feel but little sympathy; but, for the non-combatants and innocents on both sides, we feel. This war rages; how long it may last we know not. Other parts of the world are threatened by the rockings of political commotions, but we have not time to speak at greater length on this subject. Let us thank the great Ruler of worlds that the clouds that obscured our own horizon, when last we met, have all been banished, and the low muttering thunders that reverberated along our skies have all been hushed. Order has come out of confusion, and symmetry has sprung from chaos. Good home governments have been restored in every State, and our sister States in the South, that sat in sack-cloth and wept, because the foot of the oppressor was grinding on their necks, have been liberated from their shackles, have put on the robes of prosperity, and joy lights up the smiling countenances of their people. Peace and happiness reign supreme, and, to make our cup to run over with good things, the Great Giver of all good has not only blessed us with plenty, but abundance has been showered upon us. Cornucopia—the famed horn of plenty—has literally poured out its rich treasures; the land has brought forth its increase, and the toil of the husbandman has been liberally rewarded. The crops were perhaps never equaled, and, we feel sure, never surpassed in our State; and, when we add to this, that good health prevails, as a rule, throughout our borders, we should exclaim in the fullness of our hearts, “WHAT SHALL WE RENDER UNTO THE LORD FOR ALL HIS BENEFITS?” Our hearts should go out in thanksgiving to the Lord of the harvest, and influence us to withhold not our hand in dividing our abundance with the less fortunate, and the more needy of earth.

We thank heaven for a favored land and for our loved State, where, under good government, we peacefully enjoy the blessings God has given us, and worship Him according to the dictates of our own conscience. No fanaticism curses our country; no political despot shackles our limbs or fetters our free thought and free speech; every man thinks and acts for himself on all great questions of Church and State, and

gives utterance to his views; all are alike protected in person and property, and each pursues his own will in the gaining of happiness or acquirement of wealth.

A fire in Little Rock, on the nineteenth of the preceding December, destroyed the building in which the Masonic Lodges were held, and also the Grand Secretary's office, with nearly all his papers and those of the Grand Master. A valuable literary and Masonic library was also swept away. As far as possible the deficiencies thus created had been made good, but still great confusion in the Grand Secretary's office was experienced. The Grand Master also suffered severely from another fire on the twelfth of February, which destroyed his printing office. Though somewhat late in the day, we must still convey to our brethren our sympathy in their great losses.

We make the following note of several of the decisions rendered by the Grand Master :—

Neither the Worshipful Master or Wardens can resign during their term of office. A Lodge has no right to charge a fee for a dimit.

A subordinate Lodge cannot suspend or set aside the by-laws enacted by the Grand Lodge for its use.

We should think not, but we believe that they have tried the experiment in other jurisdictions. Our Grand Masters and Grand Lodge would make short work of such Masonic filibusters.

A belief in a Supreme Being is required of all candidates for the mysteries of Masonry. No Atheist can be made a Mason.

So mote it ever be. We want no French novelties in the Freemasonry of the United States.

A Lodge has the right to raise or reduce the annual or quarterly dues which it charges against its members, without consulting the Grand Lodge.

That may be good law in Arkansas, but it is not in California. Every change here must be passed upon by either the Grand Master or Grand Lodge, and in fact by both.

The reception of the Past Master's degree in a Chapter confers no authority on the brother to preside in a Master's Lodge. Symbolic Masonry is not dependent on Capitular Masonry to furnish it with qualified officers for the government of the Craft.

Is it necessary for the Past Master's degree to be conferred on a Worshipful Master elect prior to his installation? We regard the Past Master's degree as a modern innovation, accepted by usage, but wholly unsupported by law. The full and complete *installation* ceremonies seats the Master elect in the Oriental Chair, and qualifies and empowers him to preside; and no *degree* conferred in an irregular manner, unknown and unrecognized by Symbolic Masonry, can do more.

We will note here the fact that the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence non-concurred in part as to the last decision. They say, and the Grand Lodge agreed therewith, that—

We concur in so much of the foregoing decision as holds that it is not necessary for the Past Master's degree to be conferred on a Worshipful Master elect prior to his installation; and that the *full and complete installation* ceremonies seat the Master elect in the Oriental Chair, and qualify and empower him to preside.

The Master elect may preside over the Lodge after he is installed in the ordinary open form, but his installation is not full and complete, and he is not seated in the Oriental Chair, in the true Masonic sense, until the order of Past Master is conferred upon him in a convocation of Past Masters duly assembled.

We do not concur in the remark of the M. W. Grand Master, that "the Past Master's degree is a modern innovation, accepted by usage, but wholly unsupported by law."

The *order* of Past Master, as conferred in convocations upon Masters elect, is as old and as constitutional as any degree in Masonry.

As a Chapter degree it is American, adopted as a part of our capitular system nearly a hundred years ago, as above observed, and is made by the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter of the United States and the Constitutions of the State Grand Chapters a regular degree.

As an order, conferred in convocations, or as a degree of the Chapter series, it is supported by law, and, when properly conferred, like all the orders and degrees of

Masonry, is instructive and improving. An accomplished Past Master is familiar with beautiful ceremonies, and with the constitutions and laws of symbolic Masonry.

The "great toe" and "little finger of the left hand" sticklers will be horrified when they read the following decision of the Grand Master:—

I decided that the loss of a foot, the missing member being artificially supplied, enabling the candidate to take all necessary steps, was no bar to the Lodge receiving and acting upon his petition, and initiating him, if found worthy; the internal, more than the external, being what Masonry regards, and moral fitness has more to do in making "a perfect man" than physical conformation.

But their tortured feelings may be soothed when we add that the aforementioned committee emphatically declared that this decision was *not* law, and that "a man who has lost a foot, a leg, arm, or hand cannot be made a Mason, though the missing member be artificially supplied." And so said the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master had issued dispensations for three new Lodges; and had "refused to grant a dispensation to make a farce of our beautiful service by repeating it over the grave of a worthy brother, buried about six months before." We had supposed that that foolish custom had become obsolete everywhere.

The Grand Master paid a feeling and eloquent tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master E. H. WHITFIELD, who had passed from labor.

He regretted exceedingly that it was out of his power to accept the invitation to attend the Massachusetts Masonic Centennial. The regret was increased from the fact that when their Grand Lodge property had been destroyed by fire, "Massachusetts was the first to step forward, and not only tendered its sympathies, but assisted nobly in supplying our loss, as far as was possible. We wish," he adds, "that the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts may celebrate many more centennials. The West sends brotherly greeting to the East."

They have some curious but very expressive language in Arkansas. One of the Deputies reports the Lodges in his district as being "low ordinary," "ordinary," "good ordinary," "low middling," "middling," and "good middling," thus borrowing the technicalities of the cotton market. How would *our* Lodges stand such a grading? Our Committee on Returns have a happy faculty of describing the returns of Lodges as being "handsomely prepared," "well prepared," "fairly prepared," and as "needing correction."

Bro. ANDREW J. WHEELER, Past Grand Master of Tennessee, was received and welcomed with Masonic honors.

Majority and minority reports were submitted on the subject of recognizing the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory, the former favorably and the latter against. The majority report was adopted and the Grand Lodge welcomed.

The "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba" was recognized. Our own Grand Lodge is waiting for more authentic information before deciding either way.

The Grand Orator, Bro. W. H. HOWES, delivered an excellent oration; short, but full of good matter.

The steel-plate likeness of Past Grand Master E. H. ENGLISH—one of the patriarchs of the Fraternity—was ordered to be placed as a frontispiece to the proceedings; and there the good brother looks upon us with his smiling and expressive countenance.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bro. GEORGE E. DODGE. It is a very concise review of the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges, our own for 1876 being one. He says of Bro. BROWNE'S Address that "it is a splendid document, and abounds in words of practical wisdom." Compliments are also paid to our Grand Secretary, Grand Orator BONTE, and our humble self. Thanks for all.

There are three hundred and thirty-seven Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of eight thousand two hundred and ninety-one.

The M. W. JOHN F. HILL was elected Grand Master and the R. W. LUKE E. BARBER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

CANADA.

The twenty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada was commenced in the city of St. Catharines, on the eleventh day of July, 1877, and was then called off, on account of the heat and the absence of the Grand Master, until the twelfth day of September following. At this last Communication the *M. W.* JAMES K. KERR, Grand Master, presided, the *R. W.* JOHN J. MASON being Grand Secretary. Two hundred and forty Lodges were represented.

Nine Special Communications were also held during the year for the following purposes:—

1. At Leamington, on the twenty-sixth July, 1876, to lay the corner-stone of a new Methodist Episcopal Church.

2. At Tweed, on the fourth October, 1876, to lay the corner-stone of a Methodist Episcopal Church.

3. At London, on the second November, 1876, to lay the corner-stone of the new Mechanics' Institute.

4. At Harriston, on the twelfth June, 1877, to lay the corner-stone of the new Guthrie Presbyterian Church.

5. At Morpeth, on the thirteenth July, 1877, to lay the corner-stone of a new Church, called St. John's Church, for the Church of England.

6. At Chatham, on the twenty-seventh July, 1877, to lay the corner-stone of a new church, called Holy Trinity, for the Church of England.

7. At Kincardine, on the fifteenth August, 1877, to lay the corner-stone of a new Methodist Episcopal Church.

8. At Hamilton, on the seventeenth August, 1877, to lay the corner-stone of the new Court House for the County of Wentworth and City of Hamilton.

9. At Prynea, in the County of Prince Edward, on August twenty-third, 1877, to lay the corner-stone of a Methodist Episcopal Church.

At the Annual Communication the Grand Master delivered an able and well-written Address. He gave his reasons for the postponement of the Communication from July to September, and recommended that the latter date should be the future time of meeting. The Grand Lodge, however, did not approve of either.

During his trip to Great Britain, he was the recipient of many courtesies at the hands of the fraternity in England, Ireland, and Scotland.

The past year had been one of Masonic prosperity to the Lodges, notwithstanding the depression in trade and business. He had granted dispensations for the formation of fourteen new Lodges, and says—

New Lodges have been formed in improving sections of the country, and give promise of successful operation. Old Lodges have increased their membership and spheres of usefulness. Resources and pecuniary means have been improved. The attention which is being given to Masonic matters by its membership is greater than at any previous time. The moral and financial strength of the Order is better than it has ever been within our jurisdiction. The position which Masonry occupies throughout the length and breadth of the land furnishes ample reason for proud congratulation on the part of all connected with it.

The Special Communication held in London was one of peculiar interest to the Craft. Of it the Grand Master says—

The special Communication held at London calls for more than passing notice. Notwithstanding the unfavorable state of the weather—for with only a slight cessation, it rained heavily—one of the largest, perhaps the largest Masonic procession ever seen in Canada, then turned out to celebrate the occasion. It is said that over fifteen hundred Masons marched past and attended the ceremony, whilst an immense concourse of the citizens of London and its vicinity gave their countenance to the proceedings by attending to witness the same. The music furnished was good; the arrangements were in all respects perfect, and everything was commenced in order, conducted in peace, and closed in harmony. This demonstration gave ample proof that neither the Craft belonging to the Forest City of the West, nor the good people of that locality, have any sympathy with the action of the little band of discontents whose misguided action has entailed such disastrous consequences upon themselves.

The last sentence is explained by the fact that it was in London that certain disaffected brethren attempted to establish the Grand Lodge of Ontario, which attempt has met with such unqualified disapproval from all our Grand Lodges. Of this movement the Grand Master thus speaks further on in his address:—

The so-called Grand Lodge of Ontario is now without any recognition from any Masonic authority. A large number of Grand Lodges have declared this organization spurious and clandestine, and have prohibited all communication with its members, while the Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges of Quebec, Maine, New Jersey, and of other jurisdictions, have prohibited the Craft under their direction from any association with persons hailing from the unrecognized and illegal society.

Many of those who had allied themselves to the so-called Grand Lodge of Ontario have severed their connection with that body. Some have desired to be placed in good standing, and others have strongly expressed the regret they feel at having been misled into that clandestine association.

I would venture to suggest that the Grand Master, for the time being, might be empowered by this Grand Lodge to take such action as may prove just and proper with individual cases of those who, through misunderstanding on their own part and misrepresentation on the part of others, have been induced to join the above organization, so that not even the appearance of injustice may be done to any through the operation of our much loved institution.

Upon the receipt of the news of the disastrous fire at St. Johns, New Brunswick, whereby the Fraternity had suffered severely, the Grand Master immediately telegraphed an order of \$1000 for their relief. The Grand Lodge heartily approved of the act. He cordially commended the *Craftsman* to the support of the Fraternity.

One of the Deputies reports that he had granted eight dispensations to permit the brethren "to appear clothed as Masons at church festivals, pic-nics, social gatherings," etc. Our United States Grand Masters have, as we believe, without exception, set their faces as a flint against such unmasonic practices. And they are right. Masonry should not thus cheapen her sacred wares.

From the far-off Orient came an appeal for aid in distress. The following extract from the report of the "Board of General Purposes" almost reads like a romance:

The Board had under consideration a strong appeal for assistance from *Royal Solomon Mother Lodge*, No. 293, Jerusalem, Palestine. The Board deeply sympathize with the members of this Lodge in the very trying circumstances in which they are said to be placed, and sincerely trust that their trials and difficulties will soon pass away, and that they may speedily enter upon a more prosperous era. The Board recommend that a set of officers' collars and jewels, suitably engraved, be purchased and presented to this Lodge.

A communication was read from *Lebanon Lodge*, Beyrout, Syria, holding under the Grand Orient of France, asking that subscriptions be taken up from the Lodges in this jurisdiction for their benefit. The Board recommend that the matter be brought under the notice of the Lodges.

During the session, the Grand Lodge was called off for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of St. Thomas Episcopal Church, St. Catharines. The services were very interesting, and we clip the following from the address of the Grand Master on the occasion:—

It would seem to me no more than right that I should state to those not connected with us why we are here to-day. We are all lawful Masons, free and accepted. We are free to discharge our duties to each other and to mankind, and we profess to fear God, the Great Ruler of the Universe, and to serve and honor the Queen. We profess obedience to the laws of our country, with the obligations cast upon us. We are prepared to confer benefits not only upon our brethren, but to do acts for the benefit of the whole human race. There are secrets peculiar to the Order which no man has ever yet discovered, and which I am not privileged to reveal. Yet they are honorable and instructive, or so many distinguished persons would not be found enrolled under our banner. Even monarchs have been found who for a time have thrown aside the sceptre for the gavel. Masonry is a common platform upon which men of all shades of opinion can meet. People were not far to find who differed either in religion, politics, or business, but in our Lodges we meet on the level and part on the square. Our watchwords are brotherly love, virtue, and truth. We are admonished to be good friends, brothers, and husbands; and, as a philanthropic institution, Masonry is widely known outside of the Order. So mote it be in the future, to relieve the distressed, to care for the infirm, watch over the orphan, and cause the widow's heart to sing with joy. The Order is of ancient origin, founded in the earliest ages. Reference to the records in the Grand Lodge of England show beyond doubt the authenticity of a Lodge having been established in England in the fourth century. I would also remind you that it has long been customary to mark the event of laying corner-stones with public ceremonies. The corner-stone of King

Solomon's Temple was so honored, and when the children of Israel erected the second temple, the corner stone was laid with ceremony, to the sound of psalter and other musical instruments. Less than two hundred years ago Sir CHRISTOPHER WREN laid the corner-stone of St. Paul's Cathedral in London, the fifth edifice of the name, and it stands there to-day, in the midst of the busy marts of commerce and industry, with its cupola pointing to heaven. Men might strive for wealth and honors, but a silent monitor told us it was useless unless the goal of Heaven was reached. So may it be with the corner-stone of the edifice laid to-day. May you raise a superstructure perfect in all its parts, and an honor to the builder. I congratulate the Rev. Bro. BROOKMAN on the auspicious commencement made, and I hope he may live to see the edifice finished and have a long life of usefulness before him.

Of the celebrated Indian Chief, JOSEPH BRANT, a Masonic brother, the Board of General Purposes submitted this report:—

Regarding the application of the BRANT Memorial Committee, the Board are of opinion that while our distinguished brother, Chief JOSEPH BRANT, rendered invaluable services to the country, entitling his name to be revered by all Canadians who respect loyalty, admire valour, and recognize the merits of this devoted servant of the Crown, yet they do not feel that they would be justified in recommending a grant towards the erection of a monument to his memory, believing that such a tribute should be entirely of a national character.

There are three hundred and nineteen Lodges in this jurisdiction, with seventeen thousand two hundred and twenty members.

The M. W. W. H. WELLER was elected Grand Master and the R. W. JOHN J. MASON was re-elected Grand Secretary; and Toronto designated as the next place of meeting.

After the foregoing had been written, and indeed after it was in print, we received the Report of the Committee on Correspondence, a portly pamphlet of two hundred pages. It is from the pen of Bro. HENRY ROBERTSON, and is a full and interesting review of the proceedings of fifty-two Grand Lodges, our own for 1876 being one. Bro. ROBERTSON gives as an excuse for the late appearance of this report, that he had supposed he had been permanently relieved from this duty in 1875. But in February last he was importuned by the "Board of General Purposes," not only to complete the report for 1876, but also to write those for 1877 and 1878. This "involved the compilation of nearly three of these reports in one year—a task of considerable magnitude, only to be accomplished by a great deal of hard work, a large expenditure of valuable time, and a considerable sacrifice of other interests. None but those who have been engaged in this sort of work can know the full extent of the time and labor required to produce a good report."

We sympathize with our good brother, and also indorse his remarks upon the value of these reports, even if our own be voted sadly deficient. Bro. ROBERTSON says—

These reports have now become almost a necessity. The desire for information has become so great, that they form almost a necessary adjunct to the Grand Lodge proceedings; and we have been informed that they are eagerly looked for by a very large number of the brethren. It is, then, requisite that they should be so prepared as to give as much information as possible; but we are also of opinion that it is not necessary to make comments on many of the subjects that appear in the various proceedings. These comments are not taken as an authoritative expression by Grand Lodge on the points involved, but are merely the opinions of the individual writer, and entitled only to such weight as he is able to give them. Still, they tend to make the report more readable, and will often be of assistance in elucidating doubtful points. We hardly think our brethren would be satisfied with a report made up entirely of extracts.

Bro. ROBERTSON devotes five pages of his report to a review of California. He quotes at length and approvingly the remarks of Grand Master BROWNE on "non-attendance at Lodge meetings," "non-affiliates," and several other topics. Our committee on Masonic Jurisprudence is also highly complimented upon its reports upon the secrecy of the ballot, and particularly upon the application of the so-called

"Grand Lodge of Ontario." Of this last report Bro. ROBERTSON says: "We have seldom seen so large an amount of good sense in so small a space." Bro. ABELL is also complimented upon his proposed treatment of the Masonic "picture bummers." Thanks, too, for the brief but comprehensive allusion to our own report for that year.

We must quote the comments of our brother upon certain proceedings of the Grand Master of Georgia, as we think his point "well taken." We state the case, as well as give the comments:—

Having been directed, at the last Communication, to look into the affairs of the *St. Thomas* Lodge, No. 49, at Thomasville, with power to act in the premises, I went to Thomasville on the twelfth of last January. The following day was spent in conference, separately and privately, with as many brethren as I could find. The conclusions to which I came, resulted in the following proceeding, and which will fully appear in the returns to this meeting, to-wit:—

The charter, jewels, and property, with the records, and everything belonging to *St. Thomas* Lodge, No. 49, was surrendered to the Grand Master, on his demand for them. This was proper, according to his best judgment, after a full examination into the facts and situation had been made.

A meeting of all the members who had been notified beforehand, and as many more as could be found that day, was had on the night of January thirteenth. The attendance was large, and everything done was performed in peace and harmony.

At the proper time, the Grand Master gave notice, and caused it to be proclaimed, that for good and sufficient reasons moving him thereto, and by virtue of his authority, *St. Thomas* Lodge was then and there closed, and its charter, jewels, property, and records all forfeited to the Grand Lodge of Georgia, and in his possession as its rightful representative. This proceeding was consented to, and acquiesced in, by all present.

When this had been done, the Grand Master requested certain brethren to retire. He then, as your officer, held quiet and full possession for you, of all the property once that of *St. Thomas* Lodge, No. 49.

The remaining brethren were then constituted into a new Lodge, under a dispensation granted for that purpose and at that time. When the forms necessary to this object were through, the Grand Master solemnly turned over all the jewels, property, and records of the old Lodge to the new, and caused the proper records to that end to be made on the minutes.

Thus, in this case, I have discharged this duty, and believe that "peace and harmony" have been restored to the Craft in that place, and hope for good results to follow.

Upon this very extraordinary proceeding, Bro. ROBERTSON comments as follows:

The "certain brethren" who were requested to retire, must have been considerably astonished at what took place after they left. They suddenly found themselves "out in the cold,"—the Lodge going on as usual, with all the property and books of the old Lodge, and all the old members, except them, and they not able to enter as heretofore. We can fancy them asking each other, "Why is this thusly?" "How is this so?" They must have come to the conclusion that they were not exactly posted on the work, that there was a way of doing things that they never heard of, and that the powers of the Grand Master were not to be sneezed at. Seriously, however, we dare say that these brethren had rendered themselves obnoxious to the rest, but we cannot approve of this method of exclusion. It is possible that peace and harmony, obtained at the sacrifice of principle, may be purchased too dearly.

We find many other good things in this excellent report, but lack of time compels us to leave it here.

COLORADO.

The seventeenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Colorado was held in the city of Denver, on the eighteenth day of September, 1877,—the *M. W. HARPER M. ORAHOOD*, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W. ED. C. PARMELEE* being Grand Secretary. Twenty-one Lodges were represented, being all in the jurisdiction save one.

The Address of Grand Master ORAHOOD is of fair length, and a good Masonic paper. Some trouble had arisen in regard to a certain Lodge under dispensation, owing partly to mistakes and partly to an obstinate and not over-courteous member, to which the Grand Master alludes at some length. The Grand Lodge contrived to straighten out matters, to the satisfaction of all parties concerned.

One Lodge appealed to the Grand Master for permission to receive the petition of, and initiate, a man who had "had the misfortune to lose his foot in the battle of Fredericksburgh." He waived any decision in advance, but advised that the petition be received and acted upon. This was done, with a favorable result, and the matter was again referred to the Grand Master, who laid it before the Grand Lodge. That body adopted the report of its Committee on Jurisprudence, which said :—

We do not think the applicant can be made a Mason without a violation of the ancient landmarks of the order, that require that a candidate shall be a man free-born, of mature age, and un mutilated. We do not think the landmarks can be changed, although the applicant may be a worthy man. We might as well change the landmark requiring the candidate to be a man, free-born, and of mature age.

We have not time to give the matter the attention that it may appear to demand, but we will express the opinion that it is safe to adhere strictly to the ancient landmarks, and not countenance any innovations in the body of Masonry.

So Colorado stands fair and square upon this "Ancient Landmark" question. The subject of colored Masonry came up on a suggestion of the Grand Master and a report of the Committee on Correspondence. The Grand Master seems to lean to a favorable consideration of this vexatious subject.

The Grand Secretary hits the Secretaries of the subordinate Lodges a "rap over the knuckles" for the loose, slipshod, and often incorrect way in which they make out their returns. That is right, Bro. PARMELEE; go for them, as Bro. ABELL does in California, and you will bring them to "repentance and a better mind."

Bro. BYRON L. CARR delivered an oration which we like exceedingly. Here are one or two common-sense paragraphs which it will hurt nobody to "read, mark, and inwardly digest":—

Whether any direct connection can be traced between the Masonic institution of to-day and those societies of the most ancient times is a matter of doubt and uncertainty, but, to the intelligent Freemason, the striking similarity of the legend of Osiris, and others that might be mentioned, to one of the legends of our society, is strongly suggestive of such a connection.

We were to give such an account of Freemasonry as should contain all that we actually *know* of its origin and original purposes, and *only* that, we would say that it is a moral institution, established sometime in the past; but exactly, or even approximately, when, we are unable to say. It was probably instituted by men, but who they were who first perfected an institution like ours, of what race or nation or language, the record is silent. It was probably instituted for the improvement and protection of its members; but we learn this more from analogy, and from the traditions and work of the order, than from any actual record now extant. It has flourished from the time of its institution down to the present, with varying prosperity—at times prospering in the light of the protection of State and the patronage of Church, and at other times oppressed by the one and anathematized by the other. * * *

Of what consequence is it to us to know whether we are descended from the Roman Colleges of Constructors, instituted by NUMA POMPILIUS twenty-six centuries ago, or from the guilds of workingmen of Gaul or Britain? Or suppose we could extend our gaze into the remoter shadows of the past, and demonstrate that the rites and ceremonies of the Lodge are descended to us from the Greek, or Hebrew, or Egyptian, or Syrian, or Hindoo mysteries?

These are matters of interest to the antiquarian, but it is of no practical importance to us as Masons whether we are sprung from one or all these sources. To the thirsty traveler journeying across the trackless plains under the scorching rays of a noonday sun, what matters it whether the sparkling rivulet which appears to him in the distance derives its source from the eternal snows of the distant mountains or from perennial springs a lesser distance away, or from showers of rain which, but recently, perhaps, have fallen upon the plains higher up? His only concern is to know *whether the stream itself is pure*, and will satisfy the burning thirst which is consuming him, and sustain the life which is languishing within him. He stops not to inquire whether it has flowed for hundreds or thousands of miles, but he laves his body in the cooling water, and, with a heart thankful to the giver of all good, he applies it to the uses for which nature intended it, and draws life and physical comfort therefrom.

To the members of our Masonic institution it is a matter of little concern who were its founders or what was its original purpose. It is with the institution itself, as we see it at the present time, that we as Masons are most concerned. The question is not, What were its objects and purposes centuries ago? but, What are its

objects and purposes to-day? and, Are we doing all in our power to carry out to the fullest extent those objects and purposes?

Apropos of the "Colored Question," we here give the report of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, which was adopted by a unanimous vote. It is substantially the same position assumed by our own Grand Lodge:—

The undersigned, your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the communication of B. F. WATSON of September 10th, 1876, submit the following report:—

To the first interrogatory, viz.:

"Is there any law prohibiting colored Masons from visiting your Grand or subordinate Lodges?" we would answer that *there is not*.

To the second, viz.:

"What is the status of this Grand Lodge with colored Lodges in this country?" we answer: That this Grand Lodge knows of no legitimate Lodges in this jurisdiction so denominated as "Colored Lodges." Nor do we believe that the large proportion of Lodges throughout the country called "Colored Lodges" are *legitimate* Lodges, holding under regular constitutional charters from the Grand Lodges in the several States.

To the third, viz.:

"Can a respectable colored Mason be admitted to visit your Grand Lodge?" we answer: That *any* Mason, whether black or white, who hails from a regularly constituted Lodge, and not suspended or expelled from such Lodge, is at liberty to visit this Grand Lodge, and to all such we extend a hearty fraternal welcome.

Your committee are aware that there are throughout the country organizations known as Colored Grand and subordinate Lodges of F. & A. M.; that these organizations have made applications to the regularly constituted Grand and subordinate Lodges for recognition; but thus far your committee are not apprised that recognition has been extended. We believe this is a matter that should be adjusted in the older jurisdictions, and the conflict settled there. We cannot recognize the Lodges here who are styled "Colored Lodges," because we cannot allow the establishment of any organizations in this jurisdiction not the creature of our own making. This we conceive to be the law of Masonry, that no two Grand Jurisdictions can hold or claim the same territory.

The Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba was formally recognized.

Bro. D. C. COLLIER submitted the Report of the Committee on Correspondence, which fills seventy-two pages of the Appendix, thirty of which are taken up with the consideration of the subject of "Colored Masonry," in relation to all which we say, "*cui bono?*" Bro. C. is evidently an advocate for the recognition of the so-called Colored Grand Lodges and their subordinates; but even his vote did not break the unanimity mentioned above. The rest of the report is a concise (too much so) review of the proceedings of forty-two Grand Lodges, our own, for 1876, being one. Bro. C. is quite complimentary as to the Address of Grand Master BROWNE and our own report of that year.

There are twenty-two Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of fourteen hundred and eighty-six.

The M. W. CORNELIUS J. HART was elected Grand Master and the R. W. ED. C. PARMELEE was re-elected Grand Secretary.

CONNECTICUT.

The Grand Lodge of Connecticut commenced its ninetieth Annual Communication in the city of Hartford, on the sixteenth day of January, 1878,—the M. W. EDWARD B. ROWE, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JOSEPH K. WHEELER being Grand Secretary. One hundred and ten Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master's Address opens with congratulations upon the peace and harmony which had prevailed during the year throughout the jurisdiction. He speaks plainly and pointedly in condemnation of the action of the German Grand Lodge League in its ignoring the American doctrine of exclusive Grand Lodge jurisdiction, and recommends some action in relation thereto. The Grand Lodge responded by the passage of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Grand Representative of this Grand Lodge at Dresden, be instructed to present to the Grand Lodge League of Germany the protest of this Grand Lodge against their recognition of irregular and clandestine Masons, and ignoring the well settled territorial rights of this and other American Grand Lodges.

The Grand Master pays appropriate tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master GEORGE FREDERIC DASKAM, and of several other prominent Masons, who had died during the year. He also expresses sympathy with other jurisdictions in the deaths of their Grand Secretaries—HARRIS, of New Hampshire, DOVE, of Virginia, and GOULEY, of Missouri.

The "Veteran Masons" held their seventh annual Reunion in Meriden on June twenty-seventh. There were present forty Veterans, whose combined ages amounted to three thousand and twenty-seven years, being an average of over seventy-five years each. This certainly shows that either Masonry or the pure air of Connecticut is not fatal to longevity.

Through "proxies," the Grand Master had obtained a thorough examination of all the Lodges in the jurisdiction. He recommended the appointment of a District Deputy Grand Master in each county, answering to our Inspectors. We give two of his decisions:—

Question. Can a Lodge discipline a brother for selling intoxicating liquors, or prohibit him from so doing, when he is breaking no law of the land?

Answer. No. It is recommended that Lodges use their utmost influence to suppress the sale and use of ardent spirits by their members, but it is beyond their province to legislate upon the subject.

Question. Can a Lodge be opened on the Entered Apprentice degree in the first instance?

Answer. No. The proper course to follow is to open a Master Mason's Lodge, call it off, and then open upon the degree to be worked. The work completed, the subordinate Lodge is closed—Lodge called on again in the Master Mason's degree for the purpose of closing in due form.

In relation to the last decision, the practice is different in this jurisdiction. Where no business is to be transacted except the initiation of a candidate, or the examination of an Entered Apprentice in the lecture prior to his passing, we always open in the Entered Apprentice degree, and close in the same. When, however, the work is to be done at a stated meeting, then, of course, our practice is as intimated in this decision.

The Grand Secretary submitted an able report. He has succeeded in getting all the Lodges up to the work of transmitting their reports in time. The summary of the work of nearly one-half of the Lodges reads very much like an almost standing paragraph in the reports of our own Committee on Returns:—

There are eleven Lodges reporting no work; nineteen reporting one initiation each, seventeen reporting two initiations each, and fifteen reporting three initiations each, making in all fifty-one initiations by the sixty-two Lodges which make these reports. Such a record is strong evidence that something is wrong. Either we have too many Lodges, or there is but little interest among them, and such a condition cannot long exist without our number being decreased either by surrender or arrest of charters.

The Grand Lodges of Prince Edward Island, Dakota, and New Mexico, were fraternally recognized.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of the Grand Secretary, fills eighty pages of the appendix, and is worthy of its predecessors from the same pen. California, for 1876, is liberally noticed. Grand Master BROWN'S Address is freely quoted from, and our brother has a good word to say of our own report. In it we had asked the following question:—

One of the new Lodges chartered during the year was called *Oxoboxo* Lodge. We feel much like asking: "What is there in a name?" Who or what was Oxoboxo? Will Bro. WHEELER please rise and explain?

And Bro. WHEELER does rise to the occasion, as follows:—

Having taken some pains to inform ourselves, we will explain: Oxoboxo is the

name of a small lake in the town of Montville, where the Lodge is located. The original Indian word was Oxo-pany-suck, and is found in some of the Indian grants of land made by the Sachems of the Mohegan tribe, located at Montville. The word Oxoboxo is supposed to have originated with LORENZO DOW, who, in 1825, purchased the lake or pond, and the name Oxoboxo, as applied to this pond, first appears on record, as a matter of history, in the writings of LORENZO DOW, where, in a law-suit with PETER and HENRY A. RICHARDS, then owners of a mill site in Uncasville, the name first appears. In his history of this suit he calls the pond Oxoboxo, since which time the word has been so written.

Thanks to Bro. W. for the information. Hailing, ourselves, from the "Land of Steady Habits," we were much puzzled to know where such a name came from. Had it been "Hardscrabble," "Holmes' Hole," "Calf's Island," or the like, we should have felt at home. In turn, our good brother asks for information, which we are glad to give. He says:—

We have often noticed the great variety of names for Lodges that appear in the different Grand Lodge proceedings, and many of them seem to have no Masonic significance; for instance, in California we find the following: Buckeye, Eel River, Clay, and Santa Cruz. In Clay we find some Masonic significance, and wonder some enterprising brother has not thought of Chalk and Charcoal as an appropriate name for a Lodge; but Buckeye, Eel River, and Santa Cruz we can't explain. Perhaps the last mentioned one requires an addition of three letters to make it complete. Brother HILL, give us a little *light*.

"Santa Cruz" does *not* need the addition of those three cabalistic letters for its explanation, although we admit they readily suggest themselves to the New England mind in connection therewith. The Spaniards, in discovering and settling California, were very pious in this at least: all the sacred names to be thought of were fastened upon their children and localities. Hence, the "Holy Cross" was not forgotten or overlooked, but was given to one of the finest watering places in California. Santa Cruz, on the Bay of Monterey, is the "Long Branch" and "Newport" of the Pacific Coast. Our brethren gave the name of their city to their Lodge, and, although the members may, for what we know to the contrary, indulge occasionally in that three letter element, or its equivalent, it has nothing to do with the name of the Lodge.

Perhaps the "Chalk" and "Charcoal" Lodges will come in due time, but the "Clay" above indicated has more to do with the "Gallant Harry of the West" than with a more earthly substance.

There are one hundred and nineteen Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of fifteen thousand and sixteen.

The M. W. DWIGHT PHELPS was elected Grand Master and the R. W. JOSEPH K. WHEELER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

DAKOTA.

The proceedings of the third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Dakota come to us in a very humble pamphlet of less than thirty pages. It is the day of small things with our young sister, but her latter days shall greatly increase. The Communication was held in the city of Yankton, on the twelfth day of June, 1877, —the M. W. H. H. BLAIRE, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. W. E. CATON acting as Grand Secretary. Six Lodges—all in the Territory—were represented.

The Grand Master had but little of work to write about, and so he gave the brethren some excellent advice, which it will do them good to follow.

The receipts of the year were only \$136, and it did not take the Finance Committee long to audit the accounts.

The committee appointed the previous year on the "Colored Question" had not paid the necessary attention to the subject to justify a formal report, and so a new committee was appointed.

Certain petitioners up in "Deadwood" (in the Black Hills country, we suppose) applied for a charter. The only prerequisite wanting was the consent of the nearest Lodge, and the requirement that the Worshipful Master elect should visit the nearest

Lodge and exemplify the work in the three degrees. As that *nearest* Lodge was distant *three hundred and fifty* miles from Deadwood, the Grand Lodge very wisely dispensed with those requirements and granted a charter. We hope the brethren will not put any of their "Deadwood" into the new Temple.

The Grand Lodge has its back up because two of the chartered Lodges in the Territory still maintain their connection with the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, and passed a pointed resolution on the subject.

There are six Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of two hundred and fifty-three.

The *M. W.* GEORGE H. HAND was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* W. E. CATON was elected Grand Secretary.

DELAWARE.

The seventy-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Delaware was held in the city of Wilmington on the third day of October, 1877,—the *M. W.* THOMAS N. WILLIAMS, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* WILLIAM S. HAYES being Grand Secretary. Twenty-two Lodges—all in the jurisdiction—were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is confined to the business of the jurisdiction. A cloud in the horizon, between Delaware and Pennsylvania, threatened a coming storm, but the prompt and brotherly act of the Grand Master of Pennsylvania averted it. A candidate, rejected several times in a Wilmington Lodge, was received and initiated in a Philadelphia Lodge. The act was discovered and apologized for, and the initiated candidate thrown out into the world again, as a rejected profane.

The Grand Master urges that an uniform system of work should be adopted by the Grand Lodge, and enforced upon the subordinates, and closes with a few sentences of good advice to the Lodges and members.

A resolution was adopted that "no member of a subordinate Lodge shall be suspended for non-payment of dues until after charges have been preferred and trial has been had."

The Grand Lodge of New Mexico was formally acknowledged. There is no Report from the Committee on Correspondence.

There are twenty-two Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of twelve hundred and sixty-six.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

We have received the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia at its Semi-annual and Annual Communications. Both were held in the city of Washington, the former on the ninth day of May, 1877,—the *M. W.* E. G. DAVIS, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* WILLIAM R. SINGLETON being Grand Secretary. Twenty-one Lodges were represented.

The Grand Lodges of Prince Edward Island, Manitoba, Dakota, Indian Territory, and Wyoming were duly recognized.

Past Grand Master ISAAC L. JOHNSON was the recipient of a testimonial from the Grand Lodge, in the form of a Past Grand Master's jewel. The brother was so modest that he preferred this to a full-length portrait to grace the halls of the Grand Lodge.

A special Communication was held May the thirty-first, for the exemplification of the work; and another on June twenty-seventh, to lay the corner-stone of "All Souls" church, Washington City.

The Annual Communication was held on the fourteenth day of November, 1877, the same Grand Officers presiding. Twenty Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master delivered a well-written Address, giving an account of his work during the year. The "usual peace and harmony" had marked the Craft. He had

no decisions to report, the reason being, as he supposes, that the brethren had selected men of intelligence and capability to preside over their Lodges.

He called attention to the necessity of some "well organized system of dispensing charity." The calls for charity were, he thought, more numerous than in any other jurisdiction. The words of the Grand Master will apply to the Pacific Coast, as well as to the District:—

Men from every section come here in search of employment, and, after months of unsuccessful effort, they find themselves in a strange city without money, and, if Masons, they naturally apply to us for assistance. Many of these cases are doubtless worthy; many of them impositions. Applications for charity have been very numerous during the past year, and some of them of a very distressing nature. Now, while it is plainly our duty to assist a worthy distressed brother Master Mason, to contribute to the relief of his widow or orphan children when in need, it is equally important that we should avoid squandering the funds of the Lodges on unworthy objects. Of the large amounts expended by the Lodges yearly for charity in this District, I think it would be safe to estimate that fully one-half finds its way into the hands of unworthy persons, and however careful or discreet the Masters of Lodges may be, it must always be so under the present system. Men who travel from place to place, for the express purpose of imposing upon the credulity of the charitably disposed, understand their business well. They visit every Master in the city, perhaps in a day, then leave for other fields.

The Grand Lodge of New Mexico was recognized and welcomed.

Last year the Grand Lodge placed a straight-jacket upon Bro. SINGLETON, the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, limiting his report to *eighty* pages. The scrupulously exact brother gave them *seventy-nine and a half*, no more nor less. This year he asked for instructions in advance. One very economical brother, who evidently thinks it is lost time to read anything but one's Bible and almanac, was in favor of a *one page* report. Another suggested last year's limit of eighty pages. The Grand Lodge took a middle ground, and permitted Bro. S. to give one page to each jurisdiction reviewed. Our brother obeyed the edict, and still had a page to spare—devoting only fifty pages to fifty-one jurisdictions. He is good at guessing. California has nearly *two* pages devoted to it, some other Peter being robbed to pay this Paul. He is very complimentary to Grand Master BROWNE and our humble self. We thank him for his courtesy, but still stand by our guns, and insist that we do not violate any landmarks by permitting a Lodge to elect any worthy Master Mason as its Master.

We hope the "state of the funds" will permit Bro. S. to write next year without a straight-jacket; he writes too well to be thus snubbed.

There are twenty-one Lodges in the District, with a membership of two thousand seven hundred and fifty.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

FLORIDA.

The Grand Lodge of Florida commenced its forty-ninth Annual Communication in the city of Jacksonville, on the eighth day of January, 1878,—the M. W. ENOS WASGATE, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. DEWITT C. DAWKINS being Grand Secretary. Fifty-three Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is of unusual length, he discussing fully and ably many topics interesting to the Craft. We cull a specimen or two of this well arranged bouquet:—

If the power to do good is the true and lawful end of aspiring, our best ambition may be excited here. The wise deliberation which is to govern us in council will be shed abroad in our jurisdiction, and the influence will be felt in the degree in which we illustrate those endeared tenets, which, though gray with years, are yet instinct with the vitality of youth. The sentiment of fraternity which is to pervade this assembly during the session like the spring-time feast of flowers, will give renewed life and vigor to the Craft for another season; and it will stain the honor of our profession if a brother fails to lay aside and forget the petty rivalries incident to the pursuit of common objects of life, when he comes within these walls. The standard of courtesy here observed, is one of the most important lessons taught to the Craft. It shines

brightest in the life of him who best appreciates and practices the symbolic teaching of the compasses. You need not be reminded with what jealous eyes our acts are viewed by those whom we represent; with what emotions of pride and hopeful cheer they watch every word and deed which illustrate the true sentiment and exalted purpose of the Fraternity; or with what sense of shame and sorrow they may be oppressed at the exhibition of any departure from its familiar and time-honored precepts. We are the representatives of an institution bearing the seal of antiquity, and whose origin dates far back in the mists of the past—instituted to perpetuate the great moral principles of Truth, Virtue, Fortitude, Prudence, Temperance, and Justice. Beautiful and sublime as are our ritual and symbols, they become as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal, unless the precepts enter deep into the heart. The field of labor is broad; the tears of the widow and fatherless are continually reminding us that we have a mission to perform in feeding the hungry and binding up the wounds of the afflicted. The echo of our footsteps should be ever heard in the cottage of the poor and suffering,

“Where helpless anguish pours her moan,
And lonely want retires to die.”

And here is a word or two on the higher duties of Masonry, and of their effect on those without, if the same be faithfully and constantly fulfilled:—

Perform faithfully, fulfill religiously, your solemn and sacred obligations, protect and defend the innocent, help the needy, comfort the sick, feed the hungry, raise the fallen, clothe the naked, bind up the wounds of the afflicted, and let your whole lives be made up of good deeds and words; standing up for right for right's sake, and frowning down wrong, whether found in the palace or the hovel. Be true to the teachings and principles of our institution, be true to one another.

“To thine own self be true,
And it must follow as the night the day,
Thou canst not, then, be false to man.”

Do all this, my brethren, and your beautiful temple will stand complete in all its glory; the world will look on and applaud, and God's angels will touch their harps with notes of approval. All over our land, from where the sun first touches with soft, warm kisses the pine-clad hills of Maine, to where his last rosy beams glide away over the golden sands of California, a grateful people, both North and South, have erected to their heroic dead, monuments of marble and tablets of brass. And they have done well. But Time, relentless in his march—Time, the great leveler—putting his sickle in among the days, will crumble and corrode, little by little away. And when the ponderous pendulum of this great clock shall cease, and cease forever its beating; when the world, at the command of the Almighty, shall be rolled up like a scroll, each and every vestige of those grand memorials, rearing their proud heads so high in the glorious sunlight of to-day, will disappear amid the wreck and ruin of a world. But the monuments reared by you, brethren, no dust of time shall ever light upon; neither shall oblivion's shroud hide their splendor; for it is an immortal principle, engrafted on the souls of men, and, passing the confines of time, they will live on through the endless cycles of eternity. Upon you, brethren, a great responsibility rests. A glorious work awaits you, and grand results will be achieved if your work be well done.

The Grand Master pays a merited tribute to Past Grand Master SAMUEL BENEZET, who had been called from labor during the year. Three days subsequent to his death, the venerable Grand Tyler was also called away. Both were buried on the same day, by the Grand Lodge, specially convened for that purpose.

Three new Lodges had been instituted during the year. The Grand Master publishes a number of his decisions, but we find nothing calling for special notice. This question was submitted to the Committee on Jurisprudence:—

In a Lodge there are present, say twenty-four members beside the Worshipful Master. On a question submitted to vote by show of hands, twelve vote in favor of its adoption, and twelve refuse to vote, and the Worshipful Master declines to decide; what is the result, and what is the duty of the Worshipful Master in the premises?

The answer was, and the Grand Lodge therein concurred, that the question was carried in the affirmative, and that the Master should so have declared.

The Grand Secretary submitted a full and able report. He places in the Masonic pillory one HENRY C. COOLMAN, of Mansfield, Ohio, who, after shamefully imposing upon the Craft in Jacksonville, was mean enough to steal and carry off the gold Master's jewel, belonging to the late Florida Regimental Lodge. Such a “black sheep” should be shorn, if not butchered, by somebody.

Past Grand Treasurer OAKLEY, being a defaulter to the Grand Lodge, was given a definite time to square up his accounts, failing which, charges were to be formally presented against him.

The Grand Secretary submitted a brief report from the Committee on Correspondence, the "state of the funds" not permitting an elaborate review of all the proceedings before him.

An excellent and eloquent oration was delivered by Grand Orator CHARLES A. FULWOOD. His theme was "The relations of Freemasonry to Revealed Religion." His conclusions are given in these seven postulates:—

1. Masonry is not Religion, nor has it ever claimed to be.
2. Masonry is not intended, designed, or adapted to be a *substitute* for Religion.
3. Masonry and Revealed Religion, while differing in their methods of teaching, are not in *conflict* with respect to any cardinal *Doctrine* or *Principle* held by both in common.
4. With respect to the existence and attributes of JEHOVAH—the nature and accountability of man—his immortality—the obligations which grow out of his various relations and stations in life—the many virtues, and innumerable nameless amenities, which adorn, ennoble, and beautify society and sweeten human existence, *there is a perfect coincidence in their teachings.*
5. Masonry does not teach, nor does she require of those who would approach her altars in search of Light, the acceptance as matters of Faith all that is taught in any system of Revealed Religion. The applicant must believe in God, the *Holy Writings*, and human accountability.
6. *Masonry*, with respect to abstruse questions in *Theology* and *Revealed Religion*, neither affirms nor denies, but leaves them to the realm of thought and discussion to which they appropriately belong, and insists, in relation thereto, that all are equally entitled to their own independent opinions and beliefs.
7. From the foregoing, we conclude that there can be no legitimate antagonism between Masonry and Revealed Religion, since each, from its own essential qualities and mission amongst men, must encourage, foster, and strengthen the other.

There are fifty-eight Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of eighteen hundred and forty-two.

The M.: W.: WILLIAM A. McLEAN was elected Grand Master and the R.: W.: DEWITT C. DAWKINS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

GEORGIA.

The ninety-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Georgia was commenced in the city of Macon on the thirtieth day of October, 1877,—the M.: W.: DAVID E. BUTLER, Grand Master, presiding, and the R.: W.: J. EMMETT BLACKSHEAR being Grand Secretary. Two hundred and forty Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master BUTLER is short, and confined to the business of the jurisdiction. He does not publish any of his decisions, as most of them had been mere references to existing statutes or decisions.

Delinquent Lodges are being "hailed over the coals" in a summary manner. The Grand Master uses these plain and truthful words on that subject:—

Delinquent Lodges are made such by defaulting and delinquent members. The Worshipful Master is sometimes the cause, but more often the great reason is the absence of wholesome discipline. And the want of discipline often arises from an ignorance of, and an incompetency to discharge the duties of, the offices which the members hold. From these causes disorder, disobedience to rightful authority, and great confusion must come. Behind all these reasons lies another fact, more potent still. It is the ease with which new members obtain admittance into too many of our Lodges. The profane are allowed to come in with improper motives, and without sufficient inquiry; and the privileges of Masonry are used for other purposes than the noble one of who can best work and best agree in the practice of our sublime precepts.

To remedy these evils, the Grand Lodge, at this Communication, would do well to apply its discipline to all Lodges which are in arrears for dues; also, to those Lodges which, with incompetent officers, use unwarrantable means to confer the degrees, and upon those officers who do not enforce the laws of Freemasonry against the vices of drunkenness, profanity, and dishonesty. Such a procedure will cost some money, but the purity of our professions and the high standing of our Ancient Order is in great peril from these things.

The "Southern Masonic Female College" is again urged upon the favorable attention and support of the Fraternity. This is a pet of the Grand Master, he having, as he says, "for twenty-four years watched over and cherished it as a child." He expresses the hope that the Grand Lodge will "make it an honor to the Fraternity, and a fountain of learning for hundreds of our daughters." He portrays in strong language the "coldness and indifference" heretofore manifested in its welfare.

He regretted the absence of any report from the Committee on Correspondence, and pays a high tribute to the importance of such reports. He advised the re-appointment of such committee, that the defect might be supplied in the future. The Grand Lodge concurred, and our venerable and well known friend Bro. SAMUEL LAWRENCE, P. G. M., will give us next year one of those excellent reports which he knows so well how to write.

The Grand Lodge formally recognized and welcomed the Grand Lodge of New Mexico, but postponed, until the next Communication, the subject of the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba. A suitable Masonic Jewel was voted to Grand Master BUTLER for his "eminent and faithful services." They well deserved this tribute.

The Committee on Grievances do not believe in the waste of printers' ink. Their report on *thirty-three* cases only covers two and a half pages of the proceedings. That is being "*multum in parvo*" sure enough. On its recommendation, the charter of *Charity* Lodge, No. 141, was forfeited for having "not only conferred the degrees upon a maimed candidate, he having lost an eye, but also went out of its jurisdiction to obtain the candidate."

Here is a little episode in the proceedings, which we are sure our brethren will thank us for giving them the opportunity to peruse for themselves. How bright are such links in the great chain of Masonic Brotherhood:—

WHEREAS, during the late war, by authority of this Grand Lodge, the Most Worshipful D. E. BUTLER, then Grand Master in Georgia, did issue a warrant of authority to Col. R. W. FOLSOM and others, officers and members of the 14th Regiment of Georgia Volunteers, for holding a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, to be known as Stonewall Jackson Military Lodge, No. 13; and, whereas, the said charter, by the fortunes of war, was captured on Sunday, April 2d, 1865, the day after the great battle near Petersburg; and, whereas, the captor, in the true spirit of Masonry, to wit: F. GAUL, a drummer in Company "G," 4th Regiment New Jersey Volunteers, presented the same to First Lieutenant JACOB L. HUTT, commanding Company "C," of the same regiment, and presented by him, who states that he is "a member of the Craft," to *Arcana* Lodge, No. 60, Free and Accepted Masons, State of New Jersey, for safe keeping until after the war, and then to be returned to the Grand Lodge of the State of Georgia; and, whereas, on the nineteenth day of last May, Bro. ROBERT GREEN, Worshipful Master of *Arcana* Lodge, No. 60, located at Boontown, in the State of New Jersey, did, in fraternal affection for the principles of Freemasonry and brotherly affection for the Craft in this State, send said charter to Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, Bro. BLACKSHEAR, according to the conditions endorsed on said charter by Bro. JACOB L. HUTT, and is now safe in the possession of this Grand Lodge. Now, therefore, in response to the expression of Masonic consideration expressed in the entries on said charter, the letter of Bro. ROBERT GREEN, Worshipful Master of *Arcana* Lodge, No. 60, in New Jersey, and for the careful preservation of the same until the blessings of peace have been restored to our beloved country, *Resolved*;

1st. That we thank these Masonic brethren most heartily.

2d. That the whole transaction touches our hearts, and has revived in us with renewed vigor, all our Masonic affection for the brethren of the Craft wherever found, and particularly these: First Lieutenant JACOB L. HUTT, ROBERT GREEN, Worshipful Master of *Arcana* Lodge, No. 60; E. E. WILLIS, Worshipful Master; D. C. ELY, Senior Warden; M. S. SHAW, Junior Warden; and L. ESTLER, Secretary, officers of said *Arcana* Lodge, No. 60, in the year 1865.

3d. That the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, Bro. BLACKSHEAR, in proper form, convey this report to the Worshipful Master, officers, and other members of said Lodge, under the seal of this Grand Lodge.

There are three hundred Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of thirteen thousand one hundred and ninety-five.

The *M. W.* JAMES M. MOBLEY was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* J. EMMETT BLACKSHEAR was re-elected Grand Secretary.

IDAHO.

The Grand Lodge of Idaho commenced its tenth Annual Communication in Boise City, on the eleventh day of September, 1877,—the *M. W.* EDWARD A. STEVENSON, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* CHARLES HIMROD being Grand Secretary. Eleven Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master delivered a well written Address, full of good sentiment and the best Masonic and moral advice. One of his decisions was that a Master Mason could be elected Worshipful Master of a Lodge, even though he had never been a Warden. This is our law, and our Idaho brethren must share in the denunciations coming from some quarters, because, as alleged, we have “departed from the Ancient Landmarks.”

Here is another of his common-sense decisions, which covers cases constantly coming up in Lodges, and yet, why? is an unsolved conundrum to us:—

Two brothers by the name of TOX visited England in 1873, and say they received the three degrees in Masonry in *Bedford Lodge, No. 282*, after which they returned to their home in Owyhee County, Idaho Territory, where they had long resided. They now ask to visit our Lodge. They have their diplomas from England, but cannot prove themselves to be Masons, but they say that Bros. JAMES WHITE and W. BROSKRO, known Masons, who reside in the State of Nevada, can vouch for them.

Question.—“If these men can produce the avouchment of Bros. WHITE and BROSKRO, under the seal of the Lodge where they reside, will that be proper avouchment to admit them to visit our Lodge?”

Answer.—No, it is no *avouchment at all*. No *diploma, certificate, or any other written or printed document*, under seal or otherwise, of any *Grand or Subordinate Lodge*, or *emanating from any source whatever*, is any evidence to prove that a man is a *Mason*. He must be personally avouched for by a brother Mason in good standing, or pass a rigid and thorough examination under the direction of the Master of the Lodge. In this case is illustrated one of the many evil consequences arising out of the vile and pernicious practice of making Masons out of non-residents, without enquiry into their previous character or examining them in open Lodge as to their proficiency in each degree before conferring another.

The Grand Master had visited most of the Lodges in the jurisdiction, and it gave him pleasure to inform the Grand Lodge that the Lodges were in “a healthy and prosperous condition, and that peace and harmony prevailed among the brethren.”

The Committee on Correspondence reported in favor of the recognition of the “Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba,” and it was so ordered.

The Grand Lodge resolved “positively to ignore the recognition of the so-called Colored Grand Lodges of the United States, believing them to have been conceived in sin and born in corruption, hence irregular and clandestine.”

Suitable resolutions of condolence were adopted in regard to the death of the *R. W.* GEORGE FRANK GOULEY, of Missouri.

Bro. O. H. PURDY submitted the Report of the Committee on Correspondence, which is a full and able review of the proceedings of forty-seven Grand Lodges, California for 1876 included. He quotes liberally from the Address of Grand Master BROWNE, and approves his decisions. Bro. ABELL and our humble self come in for a share of Bro. PURDY's commendation. It almost made us blush to have him call us “a veteran reviewer,” when we feel all the time that we have not yet reached our Masonic teens. We hope, however, to improve as we grow older and wiser.

There are eleven Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of four hundred and five.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

ILLINOIS.

The Grand Lodge of Illinois commenced its thirty-eighth Annual Communication in the city of Chicago, on the second day of October, 1877,—the *M. W.* JOSEPH ROBINS, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* JOHN F. BURRILL being Grand Secretary. Six hundred and twenty-two Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master ROBBINS is very long, filling thirty-four closely printed pages of the pamphlet before us. All who know the Grand Master will readily believe that the document is as able as long. It opens with a brief but just tribute to the memory of several distinguished Masons who have been called away during the year. One was Bro. LEVI LUSK, the Senior Past Grand Master, who had reached the ripe old age of eighty-two. Two venerable Past Masters, Bros. H. H. GEAR, of Galena, and OBED EDSON, of Villa Ridge, had also passed from labor, the former having attained eighty-six, and the latter eighty-one years.

The Grand Master had issued dispensations for the formation of six new Lodges, and had refused a still larger number of applications, giving good reasons for his action. He is strongly opposed to the joint occupancy of halls with other societies, and recommends the passage of an edict against the practice. A good rule generally, no doubt, but it admits of many an exception, and we believe the better way is to leave the brethren interested, acting under the Grand Master's advice, to judge of the propriety or necessity in each individual case.

Four Lodges had surrendered their charters, one had been arrested, and one had petitioned for a restoration. Several Lodges had removed their domiciles, and the charters of five that had been destroyed by fire were renewed without fee.

One Lodge had initiated a member who had lost both feet in military service during the late civil war. The Grand Master disciplined the Lodge, and reported the facts, with his strong denunciation of its unmasonic character, to the Grand Lodge.

Upon the receipt of the news of the disastrous fire at St. John's, New Brunswick, the Grand Master transmitted \$250 of the funds of the Grand Lodge, and the fraternity at Chicago added thereto the goodly sum of \$1179.

The Grand Master devotes two pages to the discussion of the subject of Masonic prayers, and comes to this conclusion:—

The moment a brother assumes that the Supreme can be approached only through some one name—be that name Brahma, Jesus, Buddha, or Allah, that moment he enters upon theological definition and interpretation, the very root of sectarianism, which, with its twin evil, political partisanship, Masonry seeks above all others to exclude.

Our Grand Lodge, mindful of its obligation to the landmark, has by statute prohibited the introduction of either upon any Masonic occasion; and no one who will pause to reflect upon the essential nature of a brotherhood claiming to be universal, can doubt the wisdom of its action.

It is plain, then, that a brother cannot use distinctively Christian prayers in the name of Masonry, without disregarding our local regulations, nor without doing violence to that catholic spirit which breathes through its immemorial law.

Our only comment thereon is the question, *Cui bono* any such discussion or decision? It is a two-edged knife and dangerous to handle. The Grand Master publishes thirty-two of his decisions. We copy a few of the most important, without comment:—

If a Lodge accepts a note of hand from a brother, in liquidation of arrearages for dues, it thereby places his obligation for such arrearages on a purely business basis, and cannot make the non-payment of such note the basis of charges with a view to penal discipline.

When a brother is on trial before his Lodge for an alleged Masonic offense, the record of his conviction of the same offense in a civil court is not sufficient to warrant the Lodge in finding a verdict of guilt. The case is now to be tried before an entirely different jury, and must be conducted according to the rules laid down by the Grand Lodge, which require the jury to hear the evidence before voting on the question of guilt or innocence.

The application of a colored Mason to visit may be entertained, if he be lawfully made. Masonry knows no distinction of color. The question is not one of race or complexion, but of legitimacy. The right of visit is possessed equally by all, white or black, who, having been made in a constitutional Lodge in this jurisdiction, or in a Lodge subordinate to any Grand Lodge recognized as legitimate by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, still remains in good standing. None, black or white, possess the right who lack these qualifications.

In settling questions of Lodge jurisdiction, the distance should be computed not from corporation or township lines, for these are to be entirely disregarded, but from the actual location of the Lodge-room.

Bro. A having sat in a Lodge of Master Masons with B, thereby obtains lawful information that the latter is a Master Mason, and may vouch for him as such: he cannot derive such information from having sat with him in some other body claiming to be Masonic, and which is supposed to make the possession of the Master Mason's degree a prerequisite to applying for admission thereto. If Bro. A vouches to Bro. B (each knowing the other to be a Master Mason) that C is a Master Mason, *C being present*, then B is in possession of such lawful information as will enable him to vouch for C anywhere; and this voucher may be passed on indefinitely, C being present to prevent any mistake in identity. A mere casual remark of A to B, even in the presence of C, that the latter is a Master Mason, should not be accepted by B as a voucher. He should have his attention so definitely called to the subject as to leave no doubt that A intends to make a formal avouchment.

In the absence of the Master elect, the officers of a Lodge cannot be installed. The ceremonies must begin with that officer.

On the question of establishing a "Widows' and Orphans' Home," the Grand Master communicates the fact that a very large majority of the Lodges had voted adversely thereto, and he adds this comment:—

You will learn from the report of the Grand Secretary that of the Lodges voting on the proposed plan to establish a Widows' and Orphans' Home, submitted to them for action at the last session of the Grand Lodge, a very large majority have voted adversely. It will be no surprise to you to learn that I view this final result of our discussion of this question with satisfaction. The observation and reflection of each succeeding year serve to fix more firmly my conviction that the embarkation of Grand Lodges in moneyed enterprises is not only a departure from their legitimate functions, but is offering a premium for future discord and perplexity; and I rejoice that our Lodges evince no disposition to hazard the settled harmony of the jurisdiction upon the vain hope that we can succeed where so many others have failed.

The Grand Secretary submitted an elaborate report of the work of his office during the year. The expenses of the Grand Lodge had been \$30,704 65.

One Lodge asked for a donation of one hundred dollars from the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, to help towards the relief of the following distressing combination of the adverse things of life:—

Bro. SPARKS is a charter member of our Lodge, in good standing, sixty-five years of age, is a tinner by trade, and has a wife and family of five children, which he supported by the labor of his hands up to January last, when he was stricken by paralysis, and entirely lost the use of his right arm and right leg. He has been totally disabled ever since, and his physicians say he will never recover. He owns a small house here and a cow; no other property. His wife, through suffering from her troubles, is thought to be at times partially deranged. His oldest child, a daughter sixteen years of age, is an invalid. The next, a son thirteen years old, is stout, and willing to work, but is able to do little more than take care of others of the family that are more helpless about the house. The next is a daughter ten years old, and there are two smaller children. Bro. SPARKS, having nothing but his labor to depend upon for support of himself and family, and having no relatives here to assist him, has been a charge on our Lodge since January last. This expense, our hall rent, and other incidental expenses, has totally bankrupted our treasury. Our Lodge is small, (only thirty in number), and most of these are poor men; and, in view of the fact that this can be no other than a permanent charge on our Lodge for an indefinite length of time, and one that we are not financially able to bear, we make this our earnest appeal to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge for assistance.

The Charity Committee reported against the petition, but the Grand Lodge, by vote, granted the prayer, as we were very glad to see.

The Grand Orator, Bro. R. S. DEMENT, delivered an oration. It is a very good one, except that it contains a little too much poetry (original, we suppose) to suit our old-fashioned notions.

Three hundred dollars were voted to the chairman of the Committee on Correspondence for his compensation in preparing the elaborate report of that committee. This report was made by Bro. THEODORE T. GURNEX, and it is no idle eulogy to say that it is worthy of being the successor of those for which for so many years we were indebted to the pen of the present Grand Master. We make no apology for clipping a paragraph or two therefrom:—

Our ideal of Masonic aspiration is in seeing better husbands, fathers, sons, and citizens. If we did not believe in the elevating power of the Craft, we should fail to find anything in it worthy of much consideration. That which should most concern man in this life is manhood; and any organization resting in this central thought that is unable or unwilling to exert its powers in that direction cannot long retain itself in the friendly regard of the benevolent and beneficent activities of the age. It is for this reason, brethren, that we give you the best sentiment of our distinguished fraters of other jurisdictions, rather than devote the entire labor of the year to jurisprudence and controversy. We do not wish to be understood as depreciating either, except when they are held up for the exclusive contemplation of the Craft.

We take great pleasure in saying that the Masonry of 1876 and '77 is in advance of the Masonry of 1875 and '76. Grand Masters are more trenchant in the administration of rebuke, less active in the production of homilies, and more active in the enforcement of healthy discipline and in conserving fraternal welfare.

If Masonry was fully aware of its possibilities, there is not an institution of human origin now making an impress upon society that offers to the weary pilgrim on life's dusty path-way so much of hope, so much of consolation and encouragement, as this manhood necessity. All along the track of ages its temples have opened their portals to the rich and the poor, the man of renown and the more humble factor of destiny. Some enter to plant a fresh flower that is to gladden the hearts of the countless throng that is unceasingly wending its way towards the mysterious empire of eternity; while others, thoughtless and unconcerned, enter only to appropriate the perfume, pluck the blossom even to the roots, leaving foot-prints that chill the tender, retiring tendrils of Faith, Hope, and Charity. Thus will it always be; but instead of promoting apathy, distrust, or discouragement, the fact that these are mortal, and, like all mankind, liable to disregard the claims of humanity, should stimulate the thoughtful Mason to more exalted conceptions of his fraternal mission.

BRO. GURNEY devotes nearly twenty pages of his report to a full and elaborate consideration of the vexed question involved in the rival claims of the two Grand Lodges in the Island of Cuba. He publishes at length the documents received, which we believe were the same reported upon by our own Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence last year, but not published in our journal. The conclusion reached by him is, that "the Grand Lodge of Colon and constituent bodies were extinct, and as completely lost to symbolic Masonry as if incorporated in like manner into an organization of Odd Fellows." It therefore had no right to resuscitate itself or the Lodges it had passed over to the "Supreme Council of the 33°." That disposed of it and its claims. The difficulty with the other, "the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba," is that it is composed of the very Lodges—or at least of eleven out of the fourteen—that were killed by the act of the Grand Lodge of Colon; the other three, *i. e.*, the original corporators, if they had disapproved or disowned the act of the Grand Lodge of Colon, might have formed a new Grand Lodge and then healed the irregularities of the eleven; but as they did not do this they had no right to take in these unlawful ones as fellow helpers. "We conceive it to be as much of an axiom in Masonry," says Bro. G., "that a subordinate or Grand Lodge be lawfully constituted, as that an applicant be lawfully made a Mason." He therefore reported the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge:—

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge declines to recognize the "Grand Lodge of Colon" or the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba," both claiming symbolic Masonry jurisdiction in the Island of Cuba, as lawful bodies of Craft Masonry.

BRO. GURNEY devotes several pages to our own proceedings for 1876. He commends in just terms the Address of Grand Master BROWNE. On the subject of non-affiliation our brother gives us an elaborate discussion, "diagnosing the disease," as he says, in order to decide upon the remedy. He thinks the most of the difficulty lies in the fact that many adopt Masonry without the faintest idea of what it is or what it requires, and hence they get tired when the pecuniary obligation is brought home. His own opinion is, that in Masonry, as in churches, the voluntary principle should be incorporated, and suggests this manner of securing the desired end. We give our brother's suggestions, without comment, favorable or adverse:—

First—Lodges should be prohibited from contracting indebtedness.

Second—The fees for conferring degrees should be of sufficient amount, so that one-half invested in public securities would furnish an interest commensurate with annual dues.

Third—Lodges in existence on the adoption of this regulation, should be allowed to retain the present system of support until the interest on funds from conferring degrees, or from other sources, should be equal in amount with their annual dues.

Fourth—Lodges in existence should charge for an affiliation fee one-half the amount charged for conferring degrees, until a fund has accumulated as suggested by the third proposition, after which such fee should be abolished. Affiliation fees to be invested as in proposition two.

Fifth—No dues should be chargeable to Masons made under these provisions, or upon brethren who have paid an affiliation fee.

Sixth—Lodges should be required to make reports to the Grand Lodge of their financial condition under this Act, when called upon by the Grand Master; also thirty days prior to the Annual Session of the Grand Lodge; and when any Lodge is found to have disregarded these regulations, or any part thereof, it should be mandatory on the Grand Master to arrest its charter.

Seventh—Lodges should be permitted to adopt any plans for securing voluntary aid in their support as may be pointed out by the Grand Lodge, but none others.

We thank our brother for his kind allusion to our own report of that year. There are six hundred and ninety-three Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of thirty-nine thousand three hundred and eighty-eight.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

INDIANA.

The sixty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Indiana was commenced in the city of Indianapolis on the twenty-eighth day of May, 1878,—the M. W. ANDREW J. HAY, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JOHN M. BRAMWELL being Grand Secretary. Four hundred and eighty-four Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master HAY occupies over thirty pages of the proceedings, and yet is almost wholly taken up with the business of this large jurisdiction. In accordance with the instructions of the Grand Lodge, he had arrested the charter of one Lodge, for gross wrong, pecuniarily, to the widow of one of its members. The Grand Lodge declined to make good to the widow the deficiency, but recommended her to appeal to the civil courts. Several charters had been revoked for good cause. Two new Lodges had been constituted during the year, and the applications for two others were referred to the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master publishes a brief synopsis of a score or more of the decisions made by him. We copy a few of the most striking, without note or comment:—

Dispensation asked to "celebrate the Fourth of July with a fire company, and also to advance two Fellow Crafts in a short time, that they might participate in celebrating St. John's Day." *Refused.*

A brother circulates vile and slanderous stories involving the daughter of a deceased Master Mason and a young man not a Mason, implying carnal intercourse." *Decision.*—Offenses are whatever "is contrary to good morals, or a breach of the precepts of the scriptures. Slander is clearly within the definition, and unmasonic."

Should a Senior Deacon be installed while intoxicated? No.

We quote the well considered words of the Grand Master, relative to the recent action of the Grand Orient of France, in which the Grand Lodge heartily concurred:

Last September this Grand Orient, by a very decided majority, saw fit to change the first and second paragraphs of its Constitution in such a manner as to place this Grand Orient without the pale of Masonry. These paragraphs originally read—

1. Its principles are the existence of God, the immortality of the soul, and human solidarity.

2. It regards liberty of conscience as the common right of every man, and excludes no person on account of his belief.

By the change made they read as follows:—

1. Its principles are absolute liberty of conscience and human solidarity.

2. It excludes no person on account of his belief.

Thus this Grand Orient, by its vote of one hundred and thirty-five to seventy-six, at one stroke has swept away what every writer upon Masonic jurisprudence has

admitted to be a landmark—belief in God. Under the specious plea that Masonry is not a religious institution, that it has a platform upon which all men can stand, and that the utmost liberty of conscience should be allowed its votaries, it has erected an impregnable barrier between it and every English-speaking Grand Lodge.

Although Masonry is not a religious organization, it has always inculcated reverence for the Bible, and has insisted on a belief in the Supreme Being as a prerequisite of membership. The action of the Grand Orient of France, in striking out this belief from its code of principles, is, therefore, in direct contravention of the ancient landmarks, and if sustained, ought to disfellowship the Masons of France from those of the rest of the world.

This wide departure from the landmarks our fathers have set has not been the result of hasty action on the part of the Grand Orient of France. Beginning with the illegal acts of a few Lodges in Paris, in admitting atheists to membership, this change has been agitated until at last the movement became strong enough to make the sweeping change in Constitution and Ritual. To English-speaking Masons there is something approaching sacrilege in thus removing from the qualifications of a candidate the necessity of a belief in Deity.

As early as the era of the Fifteen Points it has been inculcated that "Every Mason shall cultivate brotherly love and the love of God, and frequent holy church." The ancient installation charges required "that ye shall be true men to God and the holy church," while the ancient charges say a Mason can "never be a stupid atheist, nor an irreligious libertine." These principles are the foundation stones of Freemasonry, and we cannot countenance any institution, claiming to be Masonic, which does not recognize them as such. Stricken from the Constitution, they must be removed from the ritual, and all allusion to them blotted from the Master's carpet. The all-seeing eye can no longer remain in watchfulness over the fraternity. The mystical letter G., that hieroglyphic bright, so fraught with meaning to every true Craftsman, must no longer appear in the Lodge-room. The lesson of reverence so impressively taught the Fellow Craft must be omitted. The Holy Bible must be taken from the altar, and its place supplied by the book of constitutions, emasculated so as specially to pander to the French materialist, and purposely arranged to admit within our charmed circle "the stupid atheist and irreligious libertine."

The Grand Lodge has an elephant on its hands in the shape of a floating debt of \$23,666, and a bonded one, due in 1886, of \$75,000. The creditors for the former were pressing for its payment. Lodges appealed to individually failed to respond favorably. The trustees (endorsed by the Grand Master) suggested a tax of one dollar per annum upon each member on the roll, and a fee of two dollars for each initiation. When the subject came before the Grand Lodge for action, one brother proposed as a substitute that the property of the Grand Lodge be sold to pay this indebtedness, and that any surplus which might remain be divided among the subordinate Lodges. This, after a long debate, was rejected, and the proposition of the trustees was endorsed by a vote of three hundred and seventeen against one hundred and sixty-six.

It appeared from the returns of the Lodges that the membership in the jurisdiction had *decreased* during the year about fourteen hundred. The Grand Master did not consider this to be an object of regret, and adds these plain spoken words:—

It is perhaps needless for me to say that I do not belong to that class of Masons who consider the great end and aim of our institution to be the increase of its members, and who regard as successful those Lodges which by active proselytizing swell their rolls of members beyond that of their neighbors. I fear, my brethren, that heretofore Masonry has been too easy of access. *Numbers* and not *members* have been sought; quantity and not quality has too frequently passed the scrutiny of the investigating committee and the ballot box. Masonry has been too cheap and common—cheap in the sense that it is no longer a valuable prize to be obtained only by those whose worth, moral as well as social, entitle them to its degrees; common in the sense that it is within the reach of all who have the cash to pay in advance for its degrees, and are generally good fellows. Masonry was intended to be exclusive—not that any particular class of men were to be debarred from its privileges, but that while all were free to apply for its privileges, and the knowledge of a Divine Light and Truth, none should be accepted but those whose lives, character, and standing in the community justified the conviction that they would be worthy members. The rapid growth in population of our country has induced the too frequent granting of charters to new Lodges, and this in turn has induced an undue excitement for a long roll of members; and that care which should characterize selection of applicants has been thrust aside in the race for material from which to obtain money to pay debts and build halls. No where can the old Latin motto, "*Festina Lente*,"—make haste

slowly—be more truthfully applied than in the acquisition of initiates in Masonic Lodges.

The Grand Master complains of the vast amount of correspondence thrown upon his office—he having been called upon during the year to answer more than two thousand letters, and his opinion having been asked upon almost every conceivable point, not only by Lodges, but by individual members. He thinks that no letters should be considered that do not come to the Grand Master “under the seal of the Lodge,” and we believe that he is right.

A feeling tribute is paid to the memory of Past Grand Master HARVEY G. HAZELRIGG, who had died during the year. Of him Grand Master HAY says:—

The Masonic life of our brother was full and rounded. He filled every station, from that of a private member to Grand Master, to the best of his ability, serving with credit to himself and honor to the Fraternity.

Our brother was a man of marked individuality; hypocrisy and every description of meanness he despised and condemned in no measured terms. Considerations of birth, riches, or position in themselves he never respected; he looked at the *merits* of the individual, not at the circumstances in which accident or society had placed him. He was open and frank in all his actions, caring for the favorable opinion of the good alone. He was independent, self-willed, even obstinate, if you please, yet he always strove to be right. He never defended a position, nor adopted an opinion, unless he felt it to be correct, but having once made up his mind, he must be convinced of his error before he yielded. In a long and intimate acquaintance with our brother, extending over a period of twenty years, knowing him in all the relations of parent, citizen, and brother Mason, I have always found him a kind hearted, liberal, charitable gentleman, and a zealous Mason.

From the many reports of the Committee on Trials and Grievances we cull a few items:—

One brother had been suspended for “irreverence to God, and associating with women of bad character.” Affirmed. Another had been suspended for one year for “playing cards at the saloon, thereby neglecting his duty as Postmaster.” Reversed for indefiniteness of charge. Another was suspended for a year for “calling a brother a liar in the Lodge-room.” One Lodge that had tried *nineteen* members in a lump for non-payment of dues, and had suspended the whole batch by one ballot, were informed that their action was unmasonic, and were required to try again.

BRO. ELISHA L. McLALLEN, from the Committee on Correspondence, reported that his “review of the proceedings of the various Grand Lodges of North America had been prepared, and was then in the hands of the Grand Secretary.” And there it remains, for aught that we can see in the proceedings.

Action was deferred on the recognition of the Grand Lodges of Colon, of the Island of Cuba, of New Mexico, and of New South Wales. There are five hundred and thirty-five Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of twenty-six thousand six hundred and sixty-five.

The *M. W.* ROBERT VAN VALZAH was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* WILLIAM H. SMYTHE was elected Grand Secretary.

IOWA.

The proceedings of the thirty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa come to us adorned and embellished in picture and type, as the exquisite taste of the venerable Grand Secretary, BRO. PARVIN, could only devise and execute. He seems determined to out-do himself, so far as mechanical execution is concerned, in each subsequent publication. The Communication was held in the city of Cedar Rapids, commencing on the fourth day of June, 1878,—the *M. W.* ZEPHANIAH C. LUSE, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* THEODORE S. PARVIN being Grand Secretary. Two hundred and eighty-six Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master delivered an Address as marked for its ability as for its length. It is what the author only modestly claims for it, a thorough business paper. He had granted dispensations for the formation of four new Lodges, and had refused nine other applications, mostly on account of the rigid ten mile rule which prevails in this

jurisdiction, to which the Grand Master is opposed; but as it was the law, he would not go in the face of it. He thinks, and rightly too, that the number of Masons and quantity of material should be the rule, rather than one of geographical distance only. He had been present at the laying of many corner-stones of public edifices, other than Masonic.

One rather curious case had been brought to his notice. The Senior and Junior Wardens of a certain Lodge had conspired with some of the members to remove all the black-balls from the box before balloting, thus defrauding the members of one of their most precious rights. They were tried and found guilty, but the Lodge imposed a slight penalty only. The Grand Lodge ordered the arrest of the charter of the Lodge for such grossly improper conduct.

The Grand Master was of the opinion that the Grand Orient of France, having "placed itself in antagonism to the traditions, practice, and feelings of all true and genuine Masons, deserved no longer a recognition as a Masonic body from the Grand Lodge of Iowa;" and the Grand Lodge concurred, using still stronger language of condemnation.

He recommends a thorough revision of the Grand Lodge Constitution and Statutes, which, from conflicting decisions and acts, have become, he says, a "a confused mass of stuff, and nothing short of a thorough revision will bring order out of the chaos." Several of his many decisions are published. We quote two or three, which tell their own story:—

Query.—Can an atheist be legally made a Mason?

Answer.—No, unless it be in France, where both God and the Holy Bible have recently been ignored.

Query.—Can a man who has a stiff knee be made a Mason?

Answer.—That depends somewhat on the degree of stiffness. By referring to Anderson's Constitutions, published in London in 1723, under the head of Ancient Charges, general head number four, you will find the following language used in describing the qualifications of candidates, to-wit: "Unless he be a perfect youth, having no maim or defect in his body, that may render him incapable of learning the art of serving his master's lord, and of being made a brother, and then a Fellow Craft in due time," etc. These were the physical qualifications of candidates when Masonry was operative; and even at that time your man with a stiff knee might have been received as an apprentice. At this time, when Masonry is only speculative, we should be stringent as to the mental qualifications of candidates, but liberal as to their physical. Therefore, in the case at bar, I would decide if this candidate can kneel at the altar, and take the proper steps, he is qualified, in that respect, to be made a Mason.

Statement.—We have an Entered Apprentice Mason in our Lodge who is a splendid business man, a good citizen, wealthy, and a number one fellow, but it is impossible for him to learn the lectures and stand the required examinations. *Query.* Can't you, as Grand Master, grant us a dispensation authorizing us to confer the other degrees upon him, waiving the examinations?

Answer.—The Grand Master has power to do almost any thing except to furnish brains for candidates, and he might do that if he had them to spare.

The Report of the Grand Secretary is, like all its predecessors, a model document; and if the Grand Lodge were ignorant of the condition of things in that jurisdiction, it was not the fault of Bro. PARVIN. Also, as Grand Librarian, he gives a gratifying account of the present condition of that valuable institution.

Our remark that the Grand Lodge condemned the Grand Orient of France in even stronger language than did the Grand Master, will be found verified by this extract from the committee's report thereon:—

Your committee have noticed with regret the action taken by the Grand Orient of France, in striking from its constitution the article asserting belief in Deity and in the immortality of the soul. That act removes the foundation stone of Masonry. It opens the doors of Masonry to the admission of those who, through stupid ignorance or perverted and corrupted principles, are unable to discern the manifold proofs offered us of a Great Creator, and are thereby rendered incapable of feeling the righteous fear of wrong doing, and of appreciating the sweet rewards of virtuous acts. No such person should ever be made a Mason. An obligation taken by him in the name of God is an unmeaning farce. His oath is as good as the word of a

profane—no better. Thus is the confidence one Mason can have in the word of another stricken down, and the simoom of atheism allowed to blight and destroy that confidential, social Masonic intercourse which is the richest and rarest fruit of the tree of Masonry. Your committee are therefore of the opinion that the suggestion of the Grand Master, "to wipe our hands of all such bogus Masonry," should be concurred in.

The Grand Lodge, in accordance with the report of its committee, officially recognized the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba." From that report, we learn that this Grand Lodge has already been recognized by the Grand Lodges of Delaware, Idaho, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Manitoba, New York, Rhode Island, Colorado, Kansas, Utah, Wyoming, Scotland, Tennessee, South Carolina, District of Columbia, New Jersey, Oregon, Arkansas, and Washington Territory. One of the Grand Lodges has refused, and many, like our own, have waited for further developments or evidence.

At the installation of the Grand Officers elect, an oration was delivered by W. Bro. LORENZO D. LEWELLING, and the same is published in the proceedings. We hardly know what one or dozen adjectives will rightly describe this production. In reading it, we at once came to the conclusion that the mantle of that Elijah of Iowa, Bro. GUILBERT, had fallen upon this newly developed Elisha. The oration was certainly unique, and in some parts very funny, but it is that kind of fun which, in such an address, and before such a body, is more honored in "the breach than in the observance." We give a specimen brick or two, that our readers may judge of the proportions and symmetry of this novel Masonic building:—

There have been a good many mistakes made in this world. There are a good many lawyers who ought to have been cobblers. There are some cobblers who might have been doctors, and some doctors who ought to have been grave-diggers for the rest of the profession. There are some men who are "jack of all trades," and some jacks who have no trade at all; and still it is true that every jack and every giant is striving, each in his own way, and by the easiest stepping stones, to better his condition.

In religion, as in secular pursuits, there ever remains an ideal. A spirit goes out from man, like the twining tendril from the vine, reaching to take hold upon something better and higher. It is an instinct that cannot be extinguished; it is the yearning of the race for a better way. There is a happy condition just beyond, and to attain it our lives are fashioned to correspond with this ideal, which becomes our pattern; our example of human life and conduct, held above and beyond, but ever before us, like the pillar of fire. This ideal, this imaginary or real person or thing, or god, or demi-god, is to individuals and to nations the standard of human actions—the measure of right and wrong. However obscure it may have become—however much enshrouded in mysticism—it still remains the test of life, to which all men bring their bundles of deeds and thoughts and aspirations, to determine whether they be holy or unholy. The ideal of the Christian world is the perfect man, Christ Jesus. The ideal of Judaism is the Saviour to come, but he is to appear with more regal attributes than those possessed by Him of Nazareth. The ideal of the Arabs is MOHAMMED, the wandering prophet of the desert. The ideal of the Chinaman is CONFUCIUS, the moral philosopher. The ideal of the Hindoo is BRAMAH, the creator, succeeded and overshadowed by BUDDHA, or GAUTAMA "the enlightened." In all these ideals, in all the moral philosophies of the world, there are real affinities, and the end of each is to attain human happiness.

Men seek the same city by different roads, as all the religions of the world are stretching toward some spiritual aim. One road may be devious and winding, another more direct: here they diverge, and there converge. One seeks salvation through the ritual of the church; another translates only the language of nature into the voice of God; and thus all cannot bow to the same shrine. No one religion can satisfy the wants of all in man's present state, and hence the necessity for the toleration of all. This principle of toleration is the Masonic religion; it is the grand principle of human kinship.

Men differ in views, in opinions, and in judgment. The affections of men are not the same; the test of conscience is not the same with all men. The food delicacies of one age or place are loathed in another. I used to hear of people eating frogs or turtles, but I had no appetite for such delicacies. The thought of eating a clammy frog, or a wriggling, crawling turtle, made the cold chills come spinning up my back in the middle of July. But since I have grown older, and seen swine fattened in the filth of the sty for man's food, and since, like the rest of erring mortals, I have eaten of frog and hog and turtle, I confess I can't find it in my heart to condemn a

Frenchman for eating horse, or a Fejee's relish for baked Englishman. I suppose there is no disputing about taste. The illustrious FREMONT dined with the Indians on roasted puppy, and the Esquimaux breakfasts on a pint of oil.

Adroit stealing was an honor to a Spartan youth, while larceny in any form is crime in ours. The gods of one nation are the devils of their neighbors, and the religion of one sect is the blasphemy of another. Each with zealous bigotry contends that he alone is right, and, thus contending, the stronger race, or nation, or party, or sect, has each in turn borne all before it like an avalanche; and, like a ship tacking before the gale, men have rushed to each extreme, and made slow progress.

The machinery of social life, of religion, of politics, has been cumbersome and erroneous; but, as a forked stick was once called a plow, and was better than no plow, and as a goat-skin bag was called a churn or a water pitcher, and was better than no pitcher, so the religions of early times were better than no religion. Men used to go to a dead stick, a stone, a cow, or a crocodile, and in the intensity of their superstition imagine that it was a god, and fall down and worship it. Men used to take a great ugly crocodile into their best room, on a rich carpet, and feed and pet it like a child, and then crouch before it in the humble attitude of prayer. Men used to fall on their knees before a good-natured family cow, and pray into her great vacant eyes, while she quietly chewed the cud, for health, and wealth, and happiness, and the destruction of their enemies.

The orator, from these curious premises, goes on to demonstrate the position assumed as the basis of his address, viz.: "Masonry a Universal Religion;" and the proof is about equal to the prelude. In fact, we do not know when or where we have before read such a farrago of nonsense, and we wonder that the Grand Lodge ordered it printed in its proceedings.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of the worthy and veteran Grand Secretary, and, though peculiar, is free from all such censure as we have felt called upon to pass on the Grand Orator's address. Bro. PARVIN, like his brother of Ohio, makes a new departure, and gives his reasons at length. He is quite satirical upon the reportorial corps, as a kind of "Mutual Admiration Society." He confesses that this was to his liking once, but he is now too old to enjoy the praises of his brethren. He comments, under a score or more of heads, upon the questions that have agitated his own and other jurisdictions, and if we had time we would cheerfully copy and endorse some of his strictures. We give his closing paragraph entire:—

This duty, commenced as a work of necessity, has been concluded as a labor of love. We hope our brother reporters will not take it amiss that we have not specially reviewed their labors, and commended this, and "pitched into" that, of their productions. We always read their writings, and this year more closely than usual, but to comment upon them, in whole or in part, would lead to the results we have deprecated in speaking of commentaries upon the constitutions of Grand Lodges and the decisions of the Grand Masters—make the tail larger than the head of the kite. We have labored under difficulties in the preparation of this report, such as do not usually beset us, and we are compelled to send it forth unread, without revision, and with all its sins upon its head.

It is many years since we were called to or forced into labors of this kind. Thirty-three years ago we published our first report, and for many years were as to the "manor born," but of late years we have done the reading, leaving the writing to others, till our hand has become unsteady, and eye dim, in this peculiar labor. Another year we will, if possible, throw our mantle upon younger, if not broader shoulders, and secure the merit of novelty, at least, as an introduction, to commend the good things the next report will contain.

Till then, dear reader, at home and abroad, bear with us in our imperfections, and share with us in the pleasures we have enjoyed in the free and easy communion we have had with the brethren whose animating spirit has vivified the proceedings we have attempted to review.

There are three hundred and fifty-one working Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of eighteen thousand four hundred and eighty-six.

The Grand Master having peremptorily declined a re-election, the M. W. JEREMIAH W. WILSON was elected Grand Master and the R. W. THEODORE S. PARVIN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

KANSAS.

The twenty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kansas was commenced in the city of Topeka on the seventeenth day of October, 1877,—the *M.*: *W.*: JACOB D. RUSH, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R.*: *W.*: JOHN H. BROWN being Grand Secretary. Ninety-four Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master, in his Address, congratulated the fraternity on the prosperous state of Masonry, generally, in the jurisdiction; alluded to the important business to come before the Grand Lodge, and expressed the earnest wish that “no member of the Grand Lodge would return to his home until all the business of the Communication was thoroughly and completely finished. I believe,” he added, “that more injury is done to Masonry through hasty legislation in our Masonic Grand Bodies than by all other causes combined.” Brethren of the Grand Lodge of California will please make a note of this, and govern themselves accordingly.

Dispensations had been granted for the formation of five new Lodges. In alluding to the fact that he had refused applications for many other dispensations, and thereby offended many of the brethren, the Grand Master gives vent to his feelings in the following plain, truthful, and common-sense words:—

The true object and intent of our noble Order^[is], in many instances, I fear, being perverted into uses entirely foreign to the original designs laid down upon our trestle-board; too many are applying for our mysteries, and too many are gaining admission everywhere, for the well being of the Order; too many rough unfinished ashlers are being placed in the edifice. They not only mar its outward beauty and finish, but also its internal strength and utility. We should pay more attention to the *character* of the applicant for Masonic honors, and not so much to our numerical strength. You may say that it is much easier to criticise than to correct the evils referred to. That is very true; yet we cannot expect to ever get complete control of our work, and get a perfect building, unless we employ only skillful and careful workmen, who will see to it that no rough or unfinished stone ever finds a place in our noble edifice.

It would be very pleasant, no doubt, if we could delude ourselves into the belief that by a rapid establishment of new Lodges, and the consequent opening of numerous new avenues of entrance for the anxious seekers after light, we were by so doing conferring a lasting benefit upon the fraternity. But fortunately all cannot think or believe in that way. If all who seek an entrance at our doors did so through pure motives, and a sincere desire to be of benefit to mankind, or if the black ball was more freely used, then the danger of a too rapid increase of membership would be very greatly modified. But, unfortunately, for the good of the Craft, such is not the case.

Few, comparatively, of the vast numbers who yearly gain admission into our Lodges, ever make genuine, true Masons, and labor for the good of the Order and of mankind. Many seek admission through purely mercenary motives, having a vague idea that, by becoming a member of such an ancient, honorable, and powerful institution as ours, they will, in some manner through its influence, be financially benefited. Others, again, are attracted to our Lodges through sheer curiosity, and a desire to know of what those ceremonies consist which have stood the test of so many ages. It is needless for me to say that neither of these classes either benefit or adorn our Order; but, on the contrary, they hang to us like an incubus, and, if not shaken off, will, in time, almost destroy our entire influence for good. We can best remedy those evils by strictly guarding the doors of entrance already created, and in forming as few more only as absolute necessity would seem to require.

He had in every case refused to grant dispensations to “confer degrees in less than the constitutional time;” and wisely, too. The Grand Master is no lover of non-affiliates, as witness this decision of his:—

Every Master Mason should belong to some Lodge and be a contributing member to its charities. One who voluntarily takes his dimit and severs his connection with the fraternity, not for the purpose of becoming affiliated with another Lodge, thereby relinquishes his claim upon the fraternity for all those benefits which he acquired by becoming a member of it. Therefore, in the absence of any local regulation upon the subject, I hold this to be the correct and just status of that class of Masonic vagrants, viz.: any non-affiliated Master Mason in this jurisdiction who does not, within six months from the date of his dimit, become a member of some Lodge, shall not be permitted to visit any Lodge (after that time) more than once, nor be permitted to walk in any Masonic procession, or participate in any Masonic ceremony; neither shall they be entitled to receive Masonic burial, nor to receive relief from the charity funds of the Lodge.

Will we encroach too much upon our allotted space if we copy Grand Master RUSH's reasoning on this subject? We rather think he hits the nail on the head at every blow:—

This alternately much abused, coaxed, and petted portion of our fraternity has occupied and engaged the attention of various sister Grand Lodges for years past. Each in their turn have had one or more committees chasing after these good (?) brothers, until all have pretty nearly exhausted their strength and patience, and have had to stop at last and fold their arms in despair, almost, as they beheld this "numerous and constantly increasing brother" slowly but surely leaving them in the rear. And still the question is, what shall we do not only to "catch him," but also to hold him when caught? This question has been asked me a number of times during the past year.

Fortunately we have no existing legislation upon the subject to trammel us, and we are consequently in a good position to begin the attack upon this formidable portion of our Order. In answer to each query upon this subject, I have given my decision No. 7, believing that if it is adopted by this Grand Lodge it will do more towards correcting this evil than any other law which we could enact.

We have run after the non-affiliated Masons long enough, to the detriment of the faithful and true Masons who have held fast to their faith and Masonic homes at the same time. Let us try a different kind of tactics upon them by changing our course, and instead of chasing after them, let us turn and face them, and establish our laws, saying, thus far you can go, and no farther, only at your peril. Let us give *them* an opportunity to run after *us* for awhile, and see which is the most successful plan. Believing the latter would be, I made my decision accordingly.

Non-affiliation separates those who are Masons in name only from those who are Masons at heart. Let them go if they wish to, but *not* upon full pay and honors.

The Grand Secretary submitted a full and able report of his work during the year. He particularly called the attention of the Grand Lodge to the importance of starting a Grand Lodge library at an early day, and recommended the annual appropriation of one hundred and fifty dollars for that purpose. The Grand Lodge, however, did not concur. But it will come in due time, Bro. BROWN, so hope on.

The Grand Lodges of New Mexico and of the "Island of Cuba" were recognized, but not that of the Indian Territory. The latter had resolved to discipline "*Alpha* Lodge, No. 122,"—chartered by the Grand Lodge of Kansas—for refusing to submit to the new Grand Lodge. The following resolutions, recommended by the Committee on Correspondence, were unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge of Kansas:—

Resolved, That the so called Grand Lodge of the Indian Territory having been organized contrary to the doctrine of exclusive sovereignty universally recognized on this continent, is an illegal body, and that all its acts are without the warrant of Masonic usage or law.

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge fully sustains *Alpha* Lodge, No. 122, located at Fort Gibson, in the Cherokee Nation, in maintaining its due allegiance, and will continue it on its register and exercise jurisdiction over it during the pleasure of its members, or until a legally organized and duly constituted Grand Lodge shall be erected within the territory of the Cherokee Nation.

We hope that this war-cloud on the border will not increase or burst, but, now that Arkansas has extended the right hand of fellowship to the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory, that Kansas will do the same.

Provision was made for the consolidation of Lodges under certain circumstances. Also steps were taken for the enforcement of a uniform system of work in the jurisdiction. The following pleasing episode in the proceedings is worthy of being quoted:—

On motion of Bro. M. S. ADAMS, Bro. JOHN SMITH, aged eighty-eight years, who first raised the gavel in Kansas, was invited to address the Grand Lodge.

This venerable brother, for nearly sixty years a Freemason, though very infirm, proceeded to address his brethren, giving an account of the early struggles of Masonry in the State of Kansas, dwelling on the sufferings of the widows and orphans of those who fell in our civil strife, and giving a vivid picture of the noble efforts of the surviving Craftsmen for their relief. His remarks directed to the younger brethren were very appropriate. They were cheered on the pathway of duty, and besought not to forget the high social and moral prerogatives which, as Masons, they were entitled to enjoy. All were enjoined to maintain, and by the purity of their lives to illustrate, the grand tenets of the Order. At the conclusion of the address

many a moistened eye told of the deep impression made by the brother's excellent counsel.

On motion of Bro. M. M. MILLER, a rising vote of thanks was tendered to Bro. SMITH. After a "long and thorough debate" a resolution not to publish the Report of the Committee on Correspondence was tabled by a large majority. So mote it be.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of Grand Secretary BROWN, and is a well written and interesting review of the proceedings of fifty-three Grand Lodges, covering one hundred and fifty-five pages of the appendix, and not a paragraph too long at that. California, for 1876, is most liberally and genially noticed. The Address of Grand Master BROWNE is highly commended and very fully quoted from. Our own thanks are also due to our good brother. What he says of the excellent oration by Bro. BONTE is so well expressed that we clip it for our own report:—

In the body of the proceedings we have an oration delivered by Bro. JOHN H. C. BONTE. This discourse, covering but little more than four pages, is indeed an oration in the proper sense of the word, for there is but one theme, and it has a beginning, a middle, and end. When you are through with its reading, you unavoidably turn back and read it over to make sure you comprehend and catch the spirit of the grand thoughts which the author pours out. At the end once more, you find yourself on a plain which stands so high above that occupied by the usual speaker on such occasions, that you are forced to think the designation Grand Orator a misnomer when applied to so great a thinker as Bro. BONTE proves his right to be esteemed. In fact, those four pages are a mass of condensed thought; from them texts enough to last the average Grand Orator for two years might be culled, and yet there would be left a better discourse than often graces the pages of Masonic publications. The only apology we offer for not making extracts, is that it can not be satisfactorily done, and, since want of space forbids inserting it entire, we lay it aside with many misgivings, for we sincerely believe its thoughtful perusal would do every brother good in our jurisdiction.

Bro. BROWN also elaborately discusses the question of non-affiliates, taking much the same ground as did the Grand Master. These drones will find a warm climate in Kansas before long.

There are one hundred and sixty-nine Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of six thousand five hundred and eighty-nine.

The M. W. JOHN GUTHRIE was elected Grand Master and the R. W. JOHN H. BROWN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

KENTUCKY.

The Grand Lodge of this jurisdiction commenced its seventy-eighth Annual Communication, in the city of Louisville, on the sixteenth day of October, 1877,—the M. W. R. M. FAIRLEIGH, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JOHN M. TODD being Grand Secretary. Four hundred and fifty-four Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master opens with congratulations to the fraternity and a hearty welcome to the Annual Feast. He reminds them that the Grand Lodge of Kentucky is the mother Grand Lodge of the valley of the Mississippi. She "created various Lodges throughout the Southern States, until they became numerous enough to form Grand Lodges for themselves. Wherever her votaries are found, they proudly acknowledge her maternity. She stands to-day the peer of any Grand Jurisdiction—ancient, noble, honorable." We say amen to this just eulogy, and long may old Kentucky deserve this meed of praise from all her children.

Dispensations had been granted for two new Lodges. The Grand Master publishes *fifty-nine* of his decisions, which cover nearly every conceivable point that could be raised, even in that large and information-seeking jurisdiction. All were approved, save three or four, which will be noted. We give some of the most salient of these decisions:—

Being a saloon-keeper does not in itself constitute a Masonic offense, *aliter* the saloon is kept in violation of law.

The law is more stringent over the Ohio river, in Indiana: in that jurisdiction, to keep a saloon for the sale of intoxicating drinks is a Masonic offense.

A candidate must be physically able to give all the signs, due guards, etc., with his *natural* limbs.

The landmark in regard to physical qualifications applies only to the *making* of Masons, and has no reference to a brother's fitness for office. One may sit in the East though his physical infirmities would debar him as an applicant for initiation.

However maliciously a black ball may be supposed to have been cast, the offending brother cannot be arraigned.

We were about to suggest a qualification to this last decision, when we found that we had been forestalled by the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, who say: "Although a brother cannot be arraigned for *casting* a black ball, yet he may be for *confessing* it, because that would violate the essential secrecy of the ballot-box; and should his confession show the motive that prompted the black ball, he stands in the worst position before the Lodge."

"Any offense against the laws of God is a violation of the laws of Masonry." This includes habitual profanity, of course.

The testimony of common fame is admissible in Masonic trials, but extreme caution should be observed in regard to it.

The committee pronounce this last decision erroneous, and thus reason upon it and its consequences:—

This would open the flood-gates of calumny and abuse. The persons who can *truthfully* testify as to a brother's faults, are usually slow and reticent, but the manufacturers of "common fame" are restrained by no law save that of malice and hatred. Those who have suffered from the wicked tongue of "common fame" are loudest in condemnation of it, and we are loath to permit such a Grand Lodge deliverance to go to the Lodges.

And the committee report thus on the forty-sixth decision:—

The forty-sixth decision is, that "a Masonic Lodge-room should not be used for any other than Masonic purposes." This we take to be rather advisory than mandatory, and we heartily join in the opinion, whenever Lodges can, without too heavily burdening themselves, possess their own altar and fireside, they should do it. But very many of our Lodges cannot attain to that desirable position, and the matter must be left to the Lodges themselves.

The incorporation of a benefit system in Masonic by-laws is antagonistic to the principles and spirit of Masonry.

The committee say, in approving of this decision, that the "Benefit System, so called, is clearly a figment of modern societies."

Of the "condition" of the Craft in Kentucky, the Grand Master thus goes on to speak:—

There is much, very much, in the present condition of Kentucky Lodges that is calculated to give pride and pleasure to every true Mason. That *spirit of fraternity*, which is the very essence of the Order, is warm and active. Lodges respect Lodges, and, with rare exceptions, avoid infringement upon each other's prerogatives. The sick and distressed are cared for, and often, even the unworthy, impecunious traveler succeeds in imposing upon our charitable proclivities. The State is full of them. Among the country Lodges, particularly, much honor is paid deceased Masons in the burial of the dead. The old-fashioned courtesy, for which Kentucky was so famous in earlier days, still survives and is seen to perfection in many Lodges. There is a growing disposition to make the halls of Masonry more attractive; to increase its social enjoyments; to elevate its moral and spiritual tone. The importance of these things is impressing itself upon an intelligent brotherhood, and it will not be many years until the man of leisure will find such attractions at his Lodge as will induce him oftener to leave for an evening the comforts of a warm fireside and the ease of dressing-gown and slippers.

He is opposed to the indiscriminate formation of new Lodges. Better, he thinks, to "have a living *whole* than two *dead halves*." He knows of one county where, with only one hundred and twenty Masons, there are *seven* Lodges. Too many by more than half.

We were glad to read the following plain-spoken words relative to a custom too familiar in all our Lodges :—

In looking through our own Grand Lodge proceedings, and those of other Grand Lodges and the records of subordinate Lodges, it gives me regret to observe the monotonous spirit of eulogy (not always deserved) that actuates the whole series of obituary resolutions. I think this unwise, as it certainly is unfair. While I believe in only speaking well of the dead, and am confident that there is something good to be said of every Mason, yet indiscriminate praise, in matters where no praise is due, is the worst kind of censure. To publish a Mason as a profound Christian, who in truth was scarcely a believer in Divine Inspiration; to proclaim a man a devoted Mason because, forsooth, he was an eminent politician who in fact had totally neglected Masonic duties; to eulogize the whole career of a man notoriously intemperate—if such things have ever been done, and it is said they have—why this is to Masonry a mantle, not of charity, but of falsehood. In my opinion, committees appointed to prepare obituary resolutions should say nothing but the truth, and if the deceased brother has not left sufficient *facts* on record, or in the recollection of his comrades, to afford him a eulogy, let the matter pass. An intelligent and conscientious brother of my Lodge once, when appointed chairman of such a committee, wrote as follows :—

“*Resolved*, 1st. That Brother _____ is dead.

“*Resolved*, 2d. That we are sorry for it.”

How many of you can recall instances where these two resolutions would express the full sentiment of the Lodge?

The world is observant of our conduct in these particulars, and charges against the Order at large as faults what are mere inadvertencies on the part of committees anxious to speak well of the dead.

The following advice to the delegates is worthy of perusal and consideration in other jurisdictions than Kentucky :—

Will the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, which is made up in such large proportion of the temperate and virtuous men—will the Grand Lodge pardon me for alluding to the fact that these solemn annual assemblings of the Order, continued now without a break for seventy-seven years, have been more than once dishonored by the presence of delegates, intemperate, profane, and unchaste. This is not surprising when it is considered that six hundred men assemble annually in this hall from every section of the State, men, too, who are engaged in every vocation in life. But they are all engaged in the vocation of Masonry, and it is their duty to exemplify to the world the principles of their Order, which teaches among its cardinal virtues that of temperance. It is known to the public at large that the delegates who assemble here are the representative Masons in the localities from which they come, and are presumed to be the exemplars of the principles and virtues of our institution. In view of this, how necessary it is that they should keep a watch upon all their walks so that, in an unguarded moment, they do not cast reproach upon the purity of the lamb skin, which has, in all ages, been regarded as the emblem of innocence. I am aware that my words may meet the eyes of harsh critics, persons who do not love Masonry, and who may attempt to use this confession to the confusion of the Order. But, my brothers, the world is already aware of it. Our enemies know we have such men in our ranks, and the saloons and evil haunts of Louisville are familiar with the fact that such men sometimes appear in the Grand Lodge as delegates. It is time then that the Grand Lodge should take notice of it; and it would be but a just regard for public morality and the dignity of the Grand Lodge to forbid the Grand Tyler from passing a delegate notoriously guilty of vices such as those to which I have alluded, and especially if laboring under the influence of them at the time he applies for admittance. May no such unworthy Masons mar the dignity of our profession at the present Communication.

The Committee on Jurisprudence approve of this excellent advice, and add a few pointed words of their own, as follows :—

The advice kindly tendered us concerning our personal conduct as delegates in attendance upon Grand Lodge, will be accepted, we think, in grateful spirit. A brother who cannot repress the promptings of his viler appetites should hide himself in the obscurity of home, and not come to the Grand Lodge. This body is composed, in an immense proportion, of a different class; and, for our own reputation, we should see to it that Lodges are represented by such. Let us hope the subordinate Lodges will accept the Grand Master's hint, and hereafter send none as delegates except “the stately shaft and polished stone” which abound within their ranks.

The Grand Master speaks in warm and earnest commendation of the “Widows and Orphans Home,” one of the jewels of old Kentucky. The proposition to assess

each individual Mason one dollar each year for its support had been voted upon by the subordinate Lodges with the following result : ayes, 5184, nays, 3480. The vote of twenty-nine Lodges was rejected for informality ; they stood ayes, 189, nays, 302. Notwithstanding this decisive vote, the opposers had been busy with protests, circulars, etc., which the Grand Master strongly reprobated, and closes with these eloquent words :—

As for myself, if my subsistence depended upon such a slim basis, I would rather give that dollar to the Home and die a dollar's worth poorer. It was reserved for Kentucky Masons to give to the world, in the establishment of this Home, the grandest expression of the fundamental principles of Masonry their country ever saw ; we have enjoyed the honors that have been heaped upon us without stint in consequence of it ; we have seen the grand results of our example in the fact that the question of organized and concentrated charities is engaging the attention of many other Grand Jurisdictions ; and, in some, plans have already been adopted for the erection of similar Homes. We have gone too far to recede if we desired to do so. The work must go on and the means must be furnished by us and should be furnished with willing and loving hands. Shall we repeal the assessment law and leave that huge pile of brick and mortar to proclaim our failure to our enemies and as a monument to our stupidity and parsimony ? Shall we repeal it when it is believed the very existence of the Home depends upon the maintenance of the law, and thus show to the world that we received and enjoyed honors when none were our due ? Can we, as Masons, do this ? In my judgment the dignity and the honor of Kentucky Masons are involved in this issue. If the Grand Lodge of Kentucky be true to her fame and true to her orphaned and widowed wards, she will let the law stand. I submit it to you without fear of the result.

These resolutions, reported by the Committee on Jurisprudence, were adopted by the Grand Lodge. Would it not be well for our own Grand Lodge to adopt something like the first proposition ?—

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Grand Master to prepare a synopsis of all decisions now in force in this Grand Lodge, condensing them into the smallest space, and laying them down alphabetically ; the same, if approved by the Grand Lodge, to go into the proceedings of next year.

Resolved, That it is the bounden duty of the Lodge Secretary to pay over all collections made by him in pursuance of his office to the Treasurer at every regular meeting of the Lodge, and, on failure so to do, he renders himself subject to discipline.

Resolved, That the so-called "Benefit System" is disapproved by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bro. THOMAS TODD, and is a well written, full, and able review of the proceedings of thirty-nine Grand Lodges, our own, for 1876, being one. Bro. TODD speaks in high terms of the Address of Grand Master BROWNE, and quotes very liberally and approvingly therefrom. We thank our brother for the kind manner he is pleased to speak of our own report of that year.

There are five hundred and eight Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of nineteen thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

The M. W. CAMPBELL H. JOHNSON was elected Grand Master and the R. W. HIRAM BASSETT was elected Grand Secretary.

LOUISIANA.

The sixty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana was begun in the city of New Orleans on the eleventh day of February, 1878,—the M. W. SAMUEL JAMES POWELL, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JAMES C. BATCHELOR being Grand Secretary. Eighty-seven Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master, in his able and well written Address, thus welcomes the fraternity to the annual gathering :—

I welcome you to this our sixty-sixth Annual Grand Communication. As the representatives of Masonry in this jurisdiction, we have come up to this sacred place to tell what we have done during the past year in the cause of humanity, to bring new offerings and to make new sacrifices upon the altar of universal friendship and benevolence, to learn new lessons in the noble art, to gather new strength for the

duties before us, and to take counsel together for the welfare of this honored institution.

The prayers of the brotherhood have followed us here, and, as in days past, the people turned their faces towards the East and worshiped—their faces are now turned towards this sacred temple, bidding us God-speed in our labor of love.

In the discharge of our responsible trust, we would be unmindful of our first great duty did we not recognize God as "All and in all." In His name we have assembled. May that name be honored and the interests of Masonry advanced by your deliberations.

He gives the names of thirteen members of the Grand Lodge who had been removed by death during the year.

The Grand Master gives good and sound reasons for withholding his assent to the request of a Lodge that it might appeal to others for aid in the erection of a suitable Hall. He disapproves of this resort to raise money. The result proved that such applications were unnecessary, for he had been called upon to dedicate the hall which the brethren had erected, unassisted from abroad.

Another Lodge was about to become a stockholder in an outside "Building Association," hoping thus to secure means for a hall of its own. To this the Grand Master could not assent, and gives these good reasons for his opinion:—

Stock companies do not bear the best reputation. They are generally regarded as games of chance and speculation, and their ultimate failure is almost a foregone conclusion. I think that Masonry should keep itself free from all entangling alliances with such associations.

Speculative Masonry does not mean Masonic speculation. Lodges should not engage in business transactions where there is a probability or a possibility of failure, and thereby become involved in litigation, and perhaps involve the Grand Lodge in its complications. I intend no reflection on the association referred to, or on those who compose it; but I speak of stock companies in general, and only reiterate what I conceive to be the settled policy of this Order—not to engage in any enterprise with the outside world, whose failure is possible and business complications may be the result.

The Deputy Grand Master found that the Past Grand Master's Jewel of a deceased Grand Master had been disposed of by his widow, and was in danger of finding its way to a pawn-broker's shop; he therefore purchased it for \$100, and the Grand Lodge took it off his hands at that price, with thanks for his timely action.

One Lodge had been instituted during the year. The Grand Master had made three decisions on the "physical qualifications" question, all which were approved by the Grand Lodge. They were as follows:—

That an Entered Apprentice with one eye was not ineligible to receive the two remaining degrees in this jurisdiction by means of said defect.

That an applicant with a defect in the right hip that makes it impossible to put the right heel to the ground is ineligible.

That an applicant who has lost the first three fingers on the right hand is ineligible.

The unfriendly relations which had existed for several years between the Grand Lodges of Louisiana and Canada had been amicably settled and full fraternal relations again restored.

Upon the recent action of the Grand Orient of France, the Grand Master utters these few, but very plain spoken words, in which every true-hearted Mason will fully concur:—

A re-establishment of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Hamburg is possible, as she is already giving evidences of disquietude in her present false position. Not so with the Grand Orient of France. Between us there is now a great gulf fixed, which no Mason can pass. By a solemn decree they have expunged "God and the immortality of the soul" from their constitution and ritual.

In view of our unfriendly relations, it would, perhaps, be in bad taste to subject this action of the Grand Orient of France to severe criticism or denunciation, but I cannot allow this occasion to pass without expressing an emphatic and indignant condemnation of this innovation upon the body of Masonry.

The paternity of God, and the fraternity of man, are the inseparable tenets of Masonry. Eliminate the one, and the other is a shadow without a substance; the ritual is stripped of its beauty and impressive solemnity; the great moral design is

gone, and the Order is powerless for good. I turn away, with fearful misgivings, from a contemplation of the results of this unfortunate delusion.

The Grand Secretary submitted an elaborate report, full of statistics and sound advice to the Craft. He takes occasion, as the result of his observations and experience, to read the Lodges a lecture on the subject of adequate dues. In some they amounted to only one dollar per year, and in others to two, with ten dollars as the fee for a degree. Of even the small amount of one dollar, one Lodge remitted fifty per cent. to its members. How Lodges could keep alive and be furnished with necessary tools for work on such a meagre sum, was an enigma to the Grand Secretary, as it is to us. He hits the nail square on the head in this manner:—

Does a farmer believe that he would make a good crop with poor stock and poor tools? No; his experience would teach him that a wooden plough or hoe, or a stone ax, would prove dear at any or no price at all; and how much better will it prove with a Lodge that has a wooden Worshipful Master or Secretary. In Masonry, as in farming, the best tool is the cheapest in the end. A Lodge whose members have too little pride in it to induce them to spend money for what is essential and necessary, will never raise a good crop of Masons. Take a more liberal view, brethren, and ask yourselves—what should my Lodge be, and what should it be able to do, and how much will it require to make it fulfil the expectation?

To bring the finances of the Grand Lodge up to a living standard, a resolution was offered requiring each Lodge to pay annually, for six years, one dollar a year for each member upon the Lodge roll.

An amendment was moved to limit the same to one year. This was negatived—ayes, 85, noes, 170; and the resolution was also defeated—ayes, 102, nays, 150.

Whereupon Past Grand Masters TODD and FLEMING tendered their resignations as members of the "Board of Directors," as the "Grand Lodge had refused to provide the means deemed absolutely necessary by the Board for the proper maintenance and support of the credit of the Grand Lodge."

Some earnest debate followed, when a motion to impose such a tax for five years was adopted by a rising vote, of ayes, 56; noes, 46.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bro. GEORGE H. BRAUGHN, chairman, and fills one hundred and fifty pages of the appendix. He gives California an extended and genial notice. He compliments Grand Master BROWNE on his Address, as one who "thinks, works, and writes exceedingly well," and also quotes liberally from the Address.

Bro. BRAUGHN is also very complimentary to Bro. BONTE and ourself, for which we make suitable acknowledgments.

There are one hundred and sixty-one Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of six thousand and thirty four.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

MAINE.

The fifty-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine was begun in the city of Portland, on the seventh day of May, 1878,—the M. W. EDWARD P. BURNHAM, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. IRA BERRY being Grand Secretary. One hundred and sixty-nine Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master BURNHAM is a brief, well written, and business-like document, mainly confined to the business of the jurisdiction. He pays a just and feeling tribute to the memory of the venerable REUEL WASHBURN, a Past Grand Master of the jurisdiction. He had been a Mason over sixty years, and presided over the Craft in the pine tree State forty years ago.

No new Lodges had been created during the year, and one charter had been surrendered.

The Grand Master commends the "Maine Masonic Text Book," compiled by Bro. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND, as a useful monitor for the Lodges. Send us a copy, Bro. DRUMMOND, that we may personally judge of its "Drummondistic" excellence, which,

we will here remark, *sub rosa*, for Bro. DRUMMOND's edification, is the equivalent of the superlative degree.

Allusion is made to the public ceremonies attending the erection of a statue in Washington to the memory of WILLIAM KING, first Governor, and first Grand Master of Masons, in Maine. The Grand Master further states as a fact, that at least *four* of the Governors, *five* of the United States Senators, *six* of the Supreme Court Judges, and many eminent civilians of Maine, had been members of the Order. Not a very dangerous institution, we apprehend, of which such things can be truthfully said.

The twenty-second Annual Report of the Grand Secretary is as brief and comprehensive as SIDNEY SMITH's celebrated charity sermon. He simply states that all the business of his office "had been attended to."

The Grand Lodge adopted the following as one of its standing regulations:—

One Lodge cannot confer a degree at the request of another Lodge, unless the requesting Lodge waives jurisdiction and the other Lodge accepts the candidate in the usual manner, and for the usual fees.

In this jurisdiction, and we believe in most, one Lodge *may* confer degrees at the request of another, as a matter of courtesy, neither claiming nor having any future jurisdiction over the material. What objection can there be to this?

The new Masonic Hall in Portland was dedicated in "ample and ancient form" during the Communication. The third degree was exemplified by *Atlantic* Lodge, after which this resolution was adopted:—

That the word "compasses" be adopted as the authorized word to be used in work and lectures, instead of "compass."

Sixteen cases were reported upon by the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, the report only occupying *two* pages. *Multum in parvo*.

On the course adopted by the Grand Orient of France, Bro. DRUMMOND submitted the following report and resolution, which were adopted by the Grand Lodge:—

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, to which was referred so much of the Address of the Grand Master as relates to the Grand Orient of France, have considered the matter and ask leave to report:—

That there is no question that the Grand Orient of France has so far yielded to the demands of French atheism as to strike from the required qualifications of candidates a belief in God the Father. For this reason, the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, Canada, and many of the States of our Union, have abolished all Masonic intercourse with the Grand Orient.

The motto of the Grand Orient now is, "Freemasonry holds to the principle of an absolute freedom of conscience, and to the brotherhood of mankind. It excludes no one on account of his belief."

While this Grand Lodge yields to no man, or body of men, in its emphatic belief in the freedom of conscience and the brotherhood of man, it recognizes these as the result of a belief in the Fatherhood of God. From time immemorial, a belief in God, the Creator and Father, has been the fundamental principle of Freemasonry, and from this principle *all others* flow as results. To abandon this principle, therefore, is to destroy the deep-laid foundation upon which our whole Masonic Temple is builded. Our reply to the Grand Orient is, "No man or body of men can make innovations in Masonry. To attempt this does not change Masonry, but puts those who make the attempt outside of the pale of the Institution." We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Grand Orient of France, by amending its Constitution in such a manner that atheists may be admitted as Masons, has ceased to be a Masonic body, and all Masonic intercourse with it, its subordinate Lodges, or the members of its obedience, is hereby forbidden.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is again from the pen of Bro. DRUMMOND, and is an elaborate review of the proceedings of every North American Grand Lodge. California for 1877 receives an extended and genial notice, Bro. BROMLEY's account of the "Grand Clam Bake" taking precedence of the Grand Master's Address.

Grand Master BROWNE's Address is highly complimented and liberally quoted from. In relation to public installations, Bro. DRUMMOND dissents from our Grand Master and Grand Lodge, and thinks, as the proceedings are all published in the Text Books, that there is "no more impropriety in public installations than in funerals or laying of corner-stones." Much may be said on both sides, Bro. DRUMMOND, and as an humble individual, we rather coincide with you; but as a reporter we must stand by our own liege and master.

Bro. SARGENT's oration is characterized as a fine production. On one subject which has been before our Grand Lodge, Bro. DRUMMOND has these plain and outspoken words:—

An institution having been started in San Francisco under the name of the "Masonic Savings and Loan Bank," and an impression having become prevalent that the Grand Lodge was connected with it, a resolution was adopted requesting the proper officers to give public notice to the contrary; and in case they failed to do so, that the Grand Lodge publish the fact for six months in the daily papers. We would have gone further, and requested the officers to change the name of the Bank, and if they refused to do so, and any of them were Masons, have expelled them. No Mason or set of Masons have a right to use the institution in that manner; as, if a disaster *should* happen to the Bank, it would involve Masonry in disgrace. There was an attempt in Maine some years since to use Masonic emblems and names for business purposes, but their use for such purposes was expressly prohibited by the Grand Lodge, and the attempt has never been revived.

On another case we find these comments. Bro. DRUMMOND has always been opposed to "compulsory charity," believing that the qualifying word is wholly inconsistent with the other:—

One singular case came before the Grand Lodge: A brother, who had been a member of a Lodge and paid his dues for fifteen years, met with an accident by which he was paralyzed. The Lodge was able to assist him, but refused, although he was confessedly destitute, on the ground that he had been dissipated. The Grand Lodge decided that he must be presumed worthy until the contrary had been established upon charges duly filed, and until then the only question is, "Is the party in actual need?" The matter was referred to the Grand Master, with instructions to require the Lodge to do what he might deem proper in the premises.

But can a Lodge be *required* to give in charity unless it sees fit to do so? Can compulsion be used in such a case, any more than with an individual? These are new questions; but we think that the obligation to relieve the destitute is as binding as any other; and if a Lodge, or an individual Mason, of *admitted ability*, refuses to assist a distressed brother they are liable to Masonic discipline. We say "*admitted ability*," because if the refusal should be placed on the ground of inability, the question is a very different one, as each Mason is the judge, upon that point, for himself, and it would require a very strong case to override this rule—a case in which it is manifest that the brother is acting in bad faith and alleging his want of ability as a pretense.

We thank our brother for his good words and wit relative to our humble self. We would make more "comments" but for two reasons: 1st, our reports are too long already; and 2d, we should incur the displeasure of Bro. PARVIN, of Iowa, who comes down heavily upon the members of the "Mutual Admiration Society."

Under the review of Illinois, in commenting upon the position of the Grand Master relative to "Masonic Prayers," he says: "We believe true Masonic toleration is to allow every brother to approach the Supreme Being in the manner in which he conscientiously believes he is required to do." Your hand on that, good brother.

Under Iowa, referring to the advice given by a brother to Bro. LANGRIDGE, that he should not make a Report on Correspondence over twenty pages long, Bro. DRUMMOND says he "should like to see a report which that advising brother would write." And so would we. It would be like the "History of Snakes in Ireland," or like Punch's advice to tourists in Italy, which consisted in the two words, *don't go*.

In reference to the rival Grand Lodges in Cuba, Bro. D. has been all along opposed to the recognition of the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba," as opposed to the "Grand Lodge of Colon." He replies at length to the arguments of Bros. SIMONS, of New York, and VAUX, of Pennsylvania. We give the conclusion of his argument, as

bearing upon a question still undecided by our own Grand Lodge. Confessing our own inability to discuss these nice questions of Masonic law, we turn them all over to our Committee on Jurisprudence:—

After August, 1874, the Grand Lodge of Colon was either a regular Grand Lodge or it was not. If it was then regular it has ever since continued to be, and now is regular, and the so-called Grand Lodge of Cuba, of necessity, is not. If it was irregular, it involves the brethren of the Grand Lodge of Cuba in a curious absurdity: if it was not regular, the "Provincial Mother Lodge" was a clandestine body, the Lodges created both by it and the "Mother Lodge" were and are clandestine, and these brethren proclaim themselves loyal to a clandestine body, and united with clandestine Lodges in the formation of a Grand Lodge! For *three* of the chartered Lodges which Bro ILLA says took part in the formation of the Grand Lodge of Cuba were chartered by the Grand Lodge of Colon, after, he says, it had committed suicide, and the four Lodges under dispensation were created by this "Provincial Mother Lodge," herself created by the Grand Lodge of Colon, after he says it had committed suicide! The Grand Lodge of Cuba cannot be recognized for several reasons:—

1. Because there was a regular Grand Lodge then existing in Cuba, or else the Grand Lodge of Cuba was formed by a convention composed in part of the representatives of clandestine Lodges.

2. Because the officers undertaking to represent their Lodges were not authorized by their Lodges to do so.

3. Because the Convention was not legally called, nor all, or even a majority, of the regular Lodges in the Island notified thereof.

4. Because a majority of the regular Lodges in the jurisdiction did not participate in the movement. If we regard those chartered before the alleged "suicide of the Grand Lodge," *nine* did not participate, and it is not claimed that more than *six* did. If we regard *all* the Lodges, *twenty-four* did not participate, and not more than *nine* did.

We desire to submit to Bros. SIMONS and VAUX the following questions, fraternally requesting from them a careful consideration and a direct answer:—

1. If the Grand Lodge of Colon was not a regular Grand Lodge on August 1, 1876, had it not been irregular during the three years previous?

2. Is a Lodge chartered by an irregular Grand Lodge a regular Lodge?

3. Were the three Lodges chartered by the Grand Lodge of Colon between 1873 and 1876, which took part in the formation of the Grand Lodge of Cuba, regular or irregular?

4. If irregular, is not the Grand Lodge, which they took part in forming, for that reason irregular also?

5. Are the Master and Wardens of a Lodge authorized to represent their Lodge in the formation of a Grand Lodge without a vote of the Lodge empowering them to do so?

6. Can a minority of Lodges in a given jurisdiction legally form a Grand Lodge for that jurisdiction?

7. Must not, at least, a majority of the Lodges in the jurisdiction be notified of a convention to form a Grand Lodge, in order to make their action valid?

We are compelled to say, after a careful examination, that the proceedings of our Cuban brethren, in their attempt to form a Grand Lodge, were, in our opinion, utterly in conflict with Masonic law, and subversive of the principles upon which all other American Grand Lodges have been formed. But, in the hope that the two Grand Bodies will form a fraternal union, we recommend that further action upon this subject be postponed until the next Annual Communication.

We take leave of this able and interesting report with reluctance. It occupies one hundred and thirty-four pages of the proceedings.

There are one hundred and seventy-nine Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of nineteen thousand four hundred and thirty-six.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

MARYLAND.

This Grand Lodge held its Annual Communication in the city of Baltimore, on the twentieth day of November, 1877,—the *M. W.* JOHN H. B. LATROBE, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* JACOB H. MEDAIRY being Grand Secretary. Seventy-seven Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master, in the commencement of his Address, again complains of the remissness of the Inspectors in not making returns to him of the condition of the Lodges in their respective districts. As in former years, only those in Baltimore City

and county had reported. For some unexplained reason, the others are habitually defaulters. The Grand Lodge hinted that some remedial steps would be taken in the future, if such culpable neglect was continued. He speaks in hopeful terms of the future prospects of the Grand Temple and its stock, believing that it will one day pay handsome dividends. He alluded to the steps taken by himself and other ardent Masons, in first snatching the Temple from the hands of the sheriff, and then so reducing the debt as to make it manageable. Though the Grand Master speaks in modest terms of his own share in this work, the Grand Lodge gave him the credit of nearly the whole, which he deserved. He now, after seven years' active service as Grand Master—in every case, we believe, having been elected and re-elected unanimously—asked permission to retire to private life. The Grand Lodge, however, through the report of a committee, urged him to reconsider his resolution; and again paying him the compliment of an unanimous re-election, he consented to wield the gavel for another year.

The Grand Lecturer reported that he had visited only four of the country Lodges, being all that had asked for his services. The office seems to be almost a sinecure in Maryland.

The Grand Lodge of New Mexico was fraternally recognized. The "Masons' Lodge of Relief" reported moneys expended to the amount of \$1722 05.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bro. JOHN S. TYSON, and is a well-written review of the proceedings of forty-four Grand Lodges, California for 1876 being one. He is very complimentary to the addresses of Grand Master BROWNE and Bro. BONFE, and quotes liberally and approvingly from both. We thank Bro. TYSON also for his kind notice of our own report. We find no table of statistics nor any clew whatever to the number of Lodges and Masons.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

We have also received the proceedings of the Semi-annual Communication, held in Baltimore, on the fourteenth day of May, 1878,—the same Grand Officers present. Seventy-one Lodges were represented.

Grand Master LATROBE delivered a brief, business-like Address, mainly devoted to the finances of the jurisdiction. He urged, in the strongest manner, that a sinking-fund be immediately established to meet the interest and finally pay the principal of the heavy debt still owing for the Masonic Temple. The only alternative to this seemed to him nothing short of repudiation, and this, he trusted, would never disgrace the fraternity in that jurisdiction.

The Grand Inspectors had not been as remiss as formerly, and their reports appear in the journal. These reports show, so the Grand Master says, that "while some of the country Lodges are prosperous and are doing a good amount of work and have money in the treasury, others again are able to do little more than to hold their own, maintain their organization and pay their dues to the Grand Lodge. Taking everything into consideration, the Grand Master has no reason to doubt the correctness of the opinion which he has always entertained, that the future of Masonry in Maryland will do no discredit to its past. "We have seen its darkest time and it has brighter days ahead." So mote it be.

He had had occasion to censure one Master for conferring the second section of the Master's degree upon two candidates at the same time.

One of the Inspectors, in his report to the Grand Master, presents these very common sense suggestions, which will apply to other Masonic latitudes and longitudes than those of Maryland:—

There is room for improvement, as I imagine there is in all country Lodges; notwithstanding they do not enjoy the advantages mentioned, and a more frequent attendance at the regular meetings, a greater interest in their own special affairs, and, when there is nothing special, in the general principles, teachings, and history of the Order, would result in great benefit. What is there more ruinous to the welfare of a Lodge than the habit of meeting at late or irregular hours, hurrying through the business so as to go elsewhere, and closing without instruction upon or discussion of

some Masonic question? What sort of a Mason is he, especially if an officer, who does not make an effort to so arrange his business, or other arrangements, as to leave his Lodge-night free for Masonic purposes, and attend punctually at the hour of meeting, prepared to remain until a reasonable bed-time, and doing his part toward the general instruction and enjoyment of the brethren? Masonic Lodges are certainly formed for other purposes, and have other duties to discharge, besides the initiation, passing and raising of candidates; and when there is no work before the Lodge, there is always something to teach and something to learn. It is too often the case that brethren, when they have received the degrees, imagine that they have graduated in Masonry, and, when they are familiar with the ritual, that they are entitled to be termed "bright" Masons.

The committee, appointed at the Annual Communication to consider the financial condition of the Temple, submitted an elaborate and very plain-spoken report. In their opinion, it was very foolish to undertake a work costing nearly \$500,000 with a capital of less than \$50,000. But having done so, and pledged, as it were, the faith of the fraternity, the bill must be paid. "To put it in a word," say the committee, "having borrowed money, we must pay back what we borrowed. Having built our Temple on borrowed money, with our Masonic honor as collateral, we cannot coolly say to our creditors—'we have made a bad investment; we will therefore throw the building on your hands; and you can make what you can out of the collateral.'" After much more of this plain talk and a full statement of the whole question, the committee recommended the adoption of this resolution:—

Resolved, That for the purpose of providing for our debts and interest on our stock, a special assessment is hereby laid upon the city and country Lodges, respectively, of \$2.50 and \$1.50 per annum, for each member, payable in equal instalments, at each Stated Communication of the Grand Lodge; and that the fund thus provided, with its accumulations, be set apart as a sinking fund, for the payment of the principal sum of \$46,000 now owing to Bro. BURNS, the \$40,000 owing to Mrs. CHASE, and the \$26,963.71 owing to the estate of the late TALBOT DENMEAD, according to the maturity and priority of the said liabilities respectively; and, after the payment of the same, then for the payment of interest on that portion of the Temple Stock issued to individuals and to Warren Lodge, I. O. O. F.

The further consideration of this resolution was deferred until the Annual Communication in November, and the Grand Secretary was directed to notify the subordinate Lodges of such contemplated action.

MASSACHUSETTS.

We always get the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in driblets. The first installment for this year is a pamphlet of about fifty pages, containing the proceedings of the Quarterly Communication held in Boston on the twelfth day of September, 1877, and of a Special Communication on the seventeenth day of that month,—the M. W. PERCIVAL LOWELL EVERETT, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. CHARLES H. TITUS being Grand Secretary. Seventy-eight Lodges were represented at the Quarterly Communication.

One or two sick Masons applied to be healed, and the Committee of Masonic Doctors took their case into consideration.

The Grand Secretary reported that "*Hiram Lodge*," of Copiapo, Chili, (chartered by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts) had ceased to exist.

The death of the R. W. JOHN A. HARRIS, Grand Secretary for New Hampshire, was announced as having taken place on the third of September, 1877. A suitable minute was entered upon the records of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge libraries of New Brunswick and Dakota having been destroyed by fire, the Grand Secretary was directed to forward to those Grand Lodges, duplicates of the proceedings of this and other Grand Lodges as far as possible.

The R. W. SAMUEL K. HUTCHINSON, Past Junior Grand Warden, had died during the year, and a suitable memorial was ordered by the Grand Lodge. He had passed the age of three score and ten, and had been a Mason for fifty years.

It having been announced to the Grand Lodge that the head-stone at the grave of the *M. W. HENRY PRICE*, the first Grand Master of Massachusetts, was "badly broken and crumbling to dust," a sum of five hundred dollars was voted for the purpose of erecting a suitable monument.

A Special Communication was held in the city of Boston, for the purpose of dedicating the "Army and Navy Monument" erected upon Boston Common by the city of Boston. The occasion was one of deep interest, and the exercises of equal interest and importance. The Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island attended as an escort and body guard to the Grand Lodge. There were fourteen subordinate Commanderies and twelve hundred and ninety-three Knights, with thirteen bands, numbering three hundred and six musicians. The whole number in the procession, by actual count, was twenty-five thousand four hundred and twenty-nine. The route of the procession was six miles in length, and the time consumed in marching was just six hours. The prayer of the Grand Chaplain (*Bro. ALONZO H. QUINT.*) at the dedication, was so beautiful and expressive that we make no apology for inserting it here as a model for all future use:—

Almighty God, who rulest and commandest all things, we present ourselves before Thee to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for that Thou hearest us when we called in our trouble, and didst not cast out our prayer which we made to Thee in our great distress; that Thou didst mercifully look upon us and command a deliverance; for which we do now give all praise and glory to Thy holy name.

We bless Thee, who makest wars to cease, that the bugle-call is heard no more, that the battle-smoke has lifted, that the clash of sabres has ceased, and that the roar of guns is hushed.

Now, O Lord, from the ocean which washes the eastern shores of North and South alike, to the ocean which washes our western cliffs, make us one people in heart and spirit. Preserve and honor the flag which floats over this undivided land. Under it, grant, Thou Ruler of nations, that this whole people may live in peace, harmony, and brotherly love; and that this nation, purified by the trial of fire which Thou didst see was necessary, may stand before Thee in beauty and strength.

We thank Thee that Thou didst keep fresh in the heart of this grateful city the memory of its heroes, and that, therefore, it would build into stone, so that all men might see their honor for the dead.

We bless Thee that Thou didst give this pictured beauty to the artist's thought and this wondrous skill to the artist's hand. Gladly do we remember before Thee that these foundations were laid in no spirit to perpetuate remembrance of fratricidal strife or of triumph over men, but were laid to honor the memory of patriotic devotion to the flag of our whole country, and, to that end, of brave self-sacrifice, even unto death.

We praise Thee that by the achievements of such men Thou didst re-establish our National Union; didst proclaim liberty throughout the land; didst confirm the Constitution which our fathers wrote.

And now, O God, to remember these things, and these men, and for those who builded this Monument, in honor of the men who builded anew a nation, have we come to consecrate this stone.

Well made, well proved, builded according to Thine eternal laws, Great Architect of the Universe, approve it, we beseech Thee.

Bless this stone, O heavenly Father—

In honor of mothers who bade their sons do brave deeds:

In honor of wives who wept for the husbands who should never come home again:

In honor of children whose heritage is their fallen father's heroic name:

In honor of men and women who ministered to the hurt and the dying:

But chiefly, O God, in honor of men who counted not their lives dear when their country needed them; of those alike who sleep beside the dust of their kindred, or under the salt sea, or in nameless graves where only Thine angels stand sentinels till the reveille of the resurrection morning.

Preserve it, we pray, in the years to come; in heat and cold, in snows and rains, in seed-times and harvests. Let it endure, that the men who see it, in the coming generations, may be inspired to know that honor is more than wealth, right is more than peace, and heroic death more than life.

These praises do we render Thee, and these petitions do we offer Thee, in the name of Him who passed through his Gethsemane and suffered upon Calvary. Amen.

The Address of Grand Master EVERETT was eloquent, telling, and suitable to the occasion and the orator. We quote the closing paragraph as a specimen, regretting that our space will not permit us to copy it in its entirety:—

For the future of the land of our love there can be no loftier aspiration than that which to-day fills the breast of the ancient fraternity of Masonry, namely, that for this high sacrifice, for the consecration of these heroes of Boston,—these heroes of America,—there must be exacted and received the fullest satisfaction, the most complete resulting equivalents. The land which they saved must be made and kept wholly worth the saving. The authority of the Federal Government within its limits, and of the States within theirs, must be clear and exclusive, without conflict or dispute. The tyranny, the selfishness, and the corruptions of party must make way for the return of pure and incorruptible administration through all the avenues of government, in every department and sphere of its operation. Honesty, with her plain rigors, must revisit the soil and pervade every fibre of the national being. The desolations of the war must disappear, the waste places must be rebuilt, and the sorer wounds of the affections must be healed. All the forces of public and social law and opinion must combine to the issue of a grand *equality* of citizenship, with no subordination under public or legislative decree, of any race or order, of any sect or party. There must be a loyalty, not of external compliance, but of inward affection; a *Union*, not of conforming hands, but of consenting hearts. There must be a return to the loves of the revolutionary days, to the pure glances of those mutual eyes, which, in all sections of the outspread land, shall be blind to every partial interest, and open only to the common cause and the universal good. This full fraternal union of States, this genius of constitutional government, the faith of the fathers, the hope of the nations, the expectation of mankind,—*this* shall be our grand Republic; *this*, our beloved America. With the dust of her slaughtered sons transmuted into gems of purest lustre around her brow, she will resume her majestic march down the pathway of time.

We have also received the proceedings of the Annual Communication, (being the one hundred and forty-fourth,) held in the city of Boston on the twelfth day of December, 1877,—Grand Master EVERETT presiding, and Bro. TITUS being Grand Secretary. One hundred and sixty Lodges were represented.

The pamphlet containing these proceedings is ornamented, as frontispieces, with finely engraved likenesses of Grand Master EVERETT and Past Grand Masters WENDELL T. DAVIS and CHARLES J. DANFORTH. From a glance at these we are satisfied that our Bay State brethren elect as many handsome men to the Grand East as we do in California.

The Masonic doctors had several cases referred to them for diagnosis, and the result of their care and attention was the formal "healing" of all.

The Grand Master's Address is as good as can be. He reports the present indebtedness of the Grand Lodge to be \$278,925 91; showing a reduction during the year of \$12,055 80.

He had granted dispensations for two new Lodges. He thinks that the experiment of Grand Lodge Trial-Commissioners has worked well in practice, and says: "The success of the new method of trial, and its just and beneficent, practical object seems to me too clear and obvious for doubt, so that the wisdom of the Grand Lodge in this regard has been amply vindicated."

He had succeeded in bringing all the Lodges to an uniformity of work, during the three years of his occupancy of the Grand Master's chair, and says, "the Lodges are working with the greatest uniformity, and vie with each other as to who can work with the greatest excellence." During the visit of the writer to Boston, last fall, he saw the third degree conferred by *Mount Lebanon* Lodge, the banner Lodge of the jurisdiction, and was very much pleased with the manner in which all the officers performed their duties. There were evidently no "*pro tems*" in the work, but all acted as if well drilled and accustomed to their parts. The work differed essentially from our own in California, and if it be not heresy to say so, was to us far more impressive and interesting.

The Grand Master thus refers to some of the interesting celebrations of the Centennial year:—

Time would fail me should I here attempt any extended review of the special occasions of this Centennial period in which the Grand Lodge participated.

On Tuesday, June seventeenth, 1875, a Special Communication was held at the Temple, in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the death of our illustrious Past Grand Master, Major-General JOSEPH WARREN. Upon this day we formed a part of the great military and civic procession under the auspices of the city of Boston and Bunker Hill Monument Association, constituting one of the most imposing pageants ever seen upon this Continent. The details and incidents of this anniversary must long abide in the memory, for they seem to express the tribute of a country to the memory of Grand Master WARREN.

On the third of July, 1875, the Grand Lodge again assembled in Special Communication, for the purpose of a due observance of the anniversary of the day when, one hundred years ago, our illustrious brother, General GEORGE WASHINGTON, assumed command of the colonial forces under the old elm-tree at Cambridge,—forces which he thenceforth led until the revolution was accomplished. By invitation of the municipal authorities of the city of Cambridge, the Grand Lodge united with them in celebrating the day, and at the dinner the Grand Master responded to a sentiment in honor of the Grand Lodge in an address, which was printed with the proceedings of the year.

Our Centennial day, the one hundredth anniversary of the organization of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge as a sovereign and independent Grand Lodge, occurred on the eighth day of March last, and was commemorated by special and extended ceremonies, the record of which has so recently been spread before you that perhaps no further reference to the occasion should be made.

A slight allusion to the most recent public celebration, in which the Grand Lodge has just taken part, may be pardoned. This was the dedication, under the auspices and by invitation of the city of Boston, of the monument erected in honor of the soldiers and sailors who fell in the recent war for the maintenance of the Union. The circumstances of this celebration are too fresh to need recital. The Grand Lodge performed its Masonic duty on this occasion as fully as circumstances permitted, and rendered its tribute to the memory of the heroic dead with patriotic pride and satisfaction.

The Grand Lodge of New Mexico was recognized.

A stated Communication was held in Boston on the twenty-seventh day of December, for the purpose of installation.

We are told that "the Great Light was opened by the Grand Marshal at the Gospel of St. John the Evangelist." The new Grand Master, Bro. CHARLES A. WELCH, was then duly installed, after which was the following ceremony which always takes place in this Grand Lodge at the incoming of a new Grand Master :—

Past Grand Master EVERETT then presented to the new Grand Master the Golden Urn, containing a lock of WASHINGTON'S hair, informing him that in the year 1801 this urn was presented to Grand Master DUNN, at his installation, and that at every succeeding installation it had been confided to the care and custody of the Grand Master, with most solemn and imperative injunctions to carefully preserve it, and, when his term of office expired, to transmit it to his successor with the like charge :

"This sacred relic, which I received from my predecessor in 1874, I now place in your hands and I charge you to religiously preserve it, and, when your Grand Mastership terminates, to deliver it to your successor with a charge similar to that with which you now receive it.

Past Grand Master EVERETT was presented with "a most elegant Past Grand Master's jewel," which he justly deserved.

Past Grand Master MARSHALL P. WILDER presented to the Grand Lodge a copy of the oration delivered before the Grand Lodge on the death of WASHINGTON, in 1800, by the Hon. TIMOTHY BIGELOW. The oration is printed in the proceedings before us, and we feel strongly disposed to copy liberally therefrom. We will cull one or two paragraphs—this from the beginning :—

Though silence be justly considered the language of grief, yet it is equivocal. Hypocrisy or indifference may assume it. On great occasions, therefore, it becomes a duty to vindicate our feelings, though it be impossible fully to express them. Highly laudable then is the conduct of our generous nation, at the present mournful crisis. While all classes of our fellow-citizens, obedient to the injunctions and imitating the example of Congress, are pouring forth their sorrows and recounting the virtues of the deceased WASHINGTON ; while the great and good of other nations are mingling their regrets with the lamentations of his afflicted countrymen—shall the

Masonic Fraternity be silent? Suppress their grief they cannot, and shall they attempt to conceal it? No, my brethren, he had a double claim to our attachment, and we will dwell on his memory with peculiar affection. If our departed brother yet takes an interest in what passes upon earth, if his blest shade still hovers over the country which he protected and loved, may we not hope that our tribute of respect will be acceptable: that our united plaudit may even touch his immortal soul with pleasure? A hope like this would soften our pangs, and dart a ray of comfort through the gloom of affliction which surrounds us. But ah, how unlike are our present emotions, at best, to those we have been wont to indulge on the returns of this anniversary! Long have we been accustomed to hail it with joy, and regard it as the era of Heaven's peculiar favor to our country. Blind to futurity, we have fondly hoped that he would yet continue many years: that he would long defend us with his sword, and bless us with his counsels; that he would glide gently down the declivity of life, majestic as some mighty river, and late, very late, sink in the ocean of eternity. So long shall we deplore his apparently untimely departure. So long will this returning day call forth the mingled emotions of joy and mourning. But future times will again regard it as auspicious. Our remotest posterity, inheriting our freedom and independence, and that happy Constitution which alone can secure them, will never be unmindful of the MASTER, who presided at the building of the fair fabric of political glory, or forget that on this day WASHINGTON was born.

And this as to the Masonic character of the illustrious patriot:—

Having already contemplated such a variety of distinguishing features in this great and amiable character, does it still admit of addition? Is there room in the portrait for another trace of the faithful pencil, that will increase its beauty? Yes, my brethren, to us another and no less interesting view remains. Animated with a generous philanthropy, our deceased brother early sought admission into our Ancient and Honorable Fraternity, at once to enable him to cherish with advantage this heavenly principle, and enlarge the sphere of its operation. He cultivated our art with sedulous attention, and never lost an opportunity of advancing the interest or promoting the honor of the *Craft*. While Commander in Chief of the American revolutionary army, he countenanced the establishment and encouraged the labors of a traveling Lodge among the military. He wisely considered it as a school of urbanity, well calculated to disseminate those mild virtues of the heart, so ornamental to the human character, and so peculiarly useful to correct the ferocity of soldiers and alleviate the miseries of war. The cares of his high office engrossed too much of his time to admit of his engaging in the duties of the chair; yet he found frequent opportunities to visit the Lodge, and thought it no derogation from his dignity there to stand on a level with the brethren. True to our principles on all occasions, an incident once occurred which enabled him to display their influence to his foes. A body of American troops, in some successful encounter with the enemy, possessed themselves, among other booty, of the jewels and furniture of a British traveling Lodge of Masons. This property was directed by the Commander in Chief to be returned under a flag of truce to its former proprietors, accompanied with a message, purporting that the Americans did not make war upon institutions of benevolence.

Of his attachment to our Order in general you, my respected brethren of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of this Commonwealth, have had personal knowledge. His answers to your repeated addresses breathe throughout the spirit of brotherly love; and his affectionate return of thanks for the Book of Constitutions, which you presented him, and for the honor, as he was pleased to consider it, which you did him in the dedication, must be evidence highly satisfactory of the respectful estimation in which he held you. The information received from our brethren, who had the happiness to be members of the Lodge over which he presided many years, and of which he died the Master, furnishes abundant proof of his persevering zeal for the prosperity of the Institution. Constant and punctual in his attendance, scrupulous in his observance of the regulations of the Lodge, and solicitous at all times to communicate light and instruction, he discharged the duties of the Chair with uncommon dignity and intelligence in all the mysteries of our art. Nothing can more highly conduce to the prosperity and honor of Masonry, than a successful imitation of this bright example. It cannot fail of its effect upon our brethren in its immediate neighborhood in the South; they will beautify their column. And shall we be outdone in zeal? Placed geographically in the east, in a quarter of the Union from which the nation has been accustomed to learn wisdom, it should be our peculiar care to diffuse light through the temple of Masonry. As it is known that we shared largely in the esteem and affection of our deceased brother, it is easy to perceive that our good conduct will itself be an encomium on his memory. We see before us, among the sad emblems of mortality, not only the sword which in this neighborhood he drew in defence of his country, but also the very attire which he has often worn as a Mason. How devoutly is it to be wished that these striking memorials may stimulate us to a noble emulation; that, like the mantle of Elijah, they may inspire us with an unalterable attachment to virtue and benevolence! This day witnesses to

the world in what veneration we hold the memory of departed greatness. Let not the solemnity be without its appropriate effect upon ourselves. While with funeral pomp and Masonic honors we celebrate the obsequies of our deceased brother, while we bend with anguish over the urn which contains a part of what was mortal in him, let us, like him, remember, that we are animated with a heavenly flame which the chill damps of death cannot extinguish; like him, resolve to *square* our actions by the *rules of rectitude*, persevere in the *line* of our duty, and restrain our passions within the *compass* of propriety, knowing that the *all-seeing Eye* of our *Supreme Grand Master* above continually observes us: That when we shall have performed the task assigned us here we may like him be *called from our work to the refreshments* which alone can satisfy our immortal desires: That when we put off this earthly *clothing*, we may be arrayed with the garments of glory, put on the *jewels* of light, and shine forever in the sublime *arch* above.

And yet, one so illustrious, and generally so exact, as JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, was so blinded by his anti-masonic prejudices as to deny that WASHINGTON ever entered a Masonic Lodge.

The following letter, being an appendix to the foregoing address, explains the circumstances of the "lock of hair" alluded to in the account of the installation. It was in answer to an address by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts to Mrs. WASHINGTON, on the death of her husband:—

MOUNT VERNON, January 27, 1800.

GENTLEMEN,—MRS. WASHINGTON has received with sensibility your letter of the 11th inst., enclosing a vote of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, requesting a *lock* of her deceased husband's *hair*, to be preserved in a *Golden Urn*, with the jewels and regalia of the Grand Lodge.

In complying with this request, by sending the lock of hair, which you will find enclosed, Mrs. WASHINGTON begs me to assure you that she views with gratitude the tributes of respect and affection paid to the memory of her dear deceased husband; and receives, with a feeling heart, the expressions of sympathy contained in your letter.

With great respect and esteem,

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient Servant,

TOBIAS LEAR.

JOHN WARREN,
PAUL REVERE,
JOSIAH BARTLETT, } *Past Grand Masters.*

There are two hundred and seventeen Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of twenty-six thousand two hundred and fourteen.

The M. W. CHARLES A. WELCH was elected Grand Master and the R. W. CHARLES H. TITUS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

Another Quarterly Communication was held in the city of Boston, on the thirteenth day of March, 1878. In the absence of the Grand Master, the R. W. ABRAHAM H. HOWLAND, Jr., Deputy Grand Master, presided, the R. W. CHARLES H. TITUS being Grand Secretary. Ninety-five Lodges were represented.

Papers were presented and referred in favor of the new "Grand Lodge of New South Wales," in Australia. The Board of Trial-Commissioners reported the trial and expulsion of a brother for larceny and drunkenness. This new Board seems to work well and satisfactorily.

The committee, previously appointed upon the Grand Master's Address, reported thereon. The number of chartered Lodges reported was two hundred and twenty-one, and of members, twenty-six thousand two hundred and twenty-six. The Grand Lodge debt had been reduced \$12,055 80, leaving \$279,000 still due.

The "Committee on Healing" reported favorably on several cases. One poor fellow had been on the Masonic sick list since 1870, but was now bidden to arise as a just and upright Mason, which we trust he will prove himself to be.

A communication was received from Past Grand Master JOHN T. HEARD, complaining of a change made in the seal of the Grand Lodge in 1857, from what it had been for a century and over. This was to strike out the motto "Follow reason," which it was alleged was too much like the doctrines of the French Revolutionists to

be connected with Masonry. Bro. HEARD combats this reasoning, and gives the following interesting historical account of the motto and its adoption:—

“Follow Reason” is a literal translation of the French words *Suivez Raison*, the motto of the Viscounts MONTAGUE; the sixth of whom was the Grand Master of England, who, in 1733, gave HENRY PRICE powers to organize Freemasonry on this Continent. The fact that this Grand Lodge adopted this translation of the motto of MONTAGUE from French into English is sufficient to show the probability, almost certainty, that at a very early day, perhaps in 1733, the motto *Follow Reason* became that of the Provincial Grand Lodge of which HENRY PRICE was the head.

In his address to the Grand Lodge, on the twenty-seventh of December, 1871, in referring to the motto of *Suivez Raison*, Grand Master GARDNER renders it into English as *Follow Right*. According to the French dictionaries he had authority for doing so. A more free translation might give, *Follow in the path of duty*.

As to the antiquity of the French motto *Suivez Raison*, it is traced back to 1554, or more than two hundred years before the French Revolution referred to, or even the earlier causes which led to that event.

Cowdray House, in Sussex County, England, from the close of the fifteenth century to 1793, when it was destroyed by fire, was the residence of the Viscounts MONTAGUE. The ruins of the edifice denote that they are the remains of what was once grand and imposing. Over what appears to have been the principal entrance to the court-yard, cut in stone, are the words, “SUIVEZ RAISON,” and were without doubt carved at the time the building was erected. This fact alone sets aside the supposition that our old motto was derived from anarchical sentiments belonging to the reign of terror and license existing in France during the closing period of the eighteenth century.

As late as 1767, from the earliest time, the Viscounts MONTAGUE were Roman Catholics. Would they have maintained a motto expressive of the sentiment which the committee of the Grand Lodge attached to it?

I trust that the Grand Lodge will inquire into the matter which I have presented, and if, in its judgment, the evidence warrants it, restore the old seal with the old motto.

The communication was referred to a committee, to report thereon at a future Communication.

The Grand Secretary reported that the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Marshal were absent on account of sickness.

Another Quarterly Communication was held on the twelfth day of June, 1878, the same Grand Master presiding, but the Grand Secretary being sick, the R. W. TRACY P. CHEEVER was appointed as such, *pro tem*. One hundred and ten Lodges were represented.

But little business was transacted. The “Committee on Healing” were still in labor with several cases, and had further time granted to determine what, if any, medicine was necessary.

The committee on the application of the Grand Lodge of “New South Wales” for recognition, having received a protest from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, recommended a postponement of action to the next Quarterly Communication, and it was so ordered.

The State Commission on Trials reported on two cases. One of them presented a peculiar point for consideration. We give the charge at length:—

“That said SHELDON C. CLARK, on the first day of January, A. D. 1878, at Boston, in said Commonwealth, he being then in arrears to said Lodge (*Satuit* Lodge, in the town of Scituate) in the sum of five dollars, did, with the intent to defraud said Lodge of the said sum as dues, falsely pretend that he could not give his support to the institution of Freemasonry, because said institution is narrow in its brotherhood, antiquated in its religious principles, and barren of moral results in the world; and refused, and still refuses and neglects to pay the said dues, or any part thereof.”

The committee did not consider the previous action of the brother to be in harmony with this late avowal, and give these incidents in proof thereof:—

Upon the testimony, it appeared that the respondent was a clergyman, settled in the town of Scituate, who had taken the first degree in Masonry in a Lodge in Iowa. He expressed a strong desire, and took great pains, to receive the second and third degrees in *Satuit* Lodge. His desire was favorably responded to by the brethren of that Lodge, who conferred upon him those degrees without the usual fees. In

fact, he did not pay for the degrees, for his diploma, or for the fee for membership in the Lodge. Upon his reception as a member, and until his removal from the town in May, 1877, he acted as Chaplain of the Lodge. During the entire term of his residence in Scituate, after he became a member of the Lodge, he was in the habit of conversing frankly and openly with the Worshipful Master, Wardens, and other officers and members, in regard to the general subject of Masonry, its principles, and the moral force and beauty of its ritual. In all these conversations, and in his professional services in the Lodge, he appeared to hold the fraternity in very high esteem, and to regard its principles as solid and valuable. Up to the date of his removal from Scituate he was never heard to have spoken otherwise than favorably of the institution, and the first intimation of hostile sentiment on his part was in the form of a letter sent by him to the Secretary of the Lodge, in reply to one demanding the payment of dues which were in arrears. This letter, which forms part of the record, marked A, contained the language of renunciation alleged in the specification, and came like a shock upon the members of the Lodge. It was followed by another letter, marked B, which disclosed a different reason for the non-payment of his dues, and which seems to have fully satisfied the members of the respondent's want of good faith and evasive intent in the matter. The well-known and often expressed sentiments of the respondent concerning Masonry, the absence of any unpleasant or unfavorable feeling toward him by the Lodge, his anxiety in regard to receiving the degrees, the liberality of the Lodge in these respects toward him, the letters before referred to,—all the circumstances of his connection as a member, and the absence of any fact, circumstance, or feeling which could account for so sudden a conversion, or for any honest renunciation of Masonry,—sufficed to make the inference of fraud and evasion, as claimed in the specification, almost irresistible. The respondent, in whose power alone it lay, by his appearance at the hearing and the offer of his own testimony, to verify the sincerity of his opinions and to negative entirely the accusation of falsehood and fraud, did not think it worth while thus to appear.

The committee recommended an indefinite suspension, and it was so ordered. Here is another recruit for Bro. BLANCHARD and Co.

A special Communication of the Grand Lodge was held in the city of Worcester, on the twenty-fourth day of June, 1878, to participate in the services attending the transfer of the remains of the late ISAIAH THOMAS, Past Grand Master of the jurisdiction, to the Rural Cemetery. The services on the occasion were interesting and imposing.

MICHIGAN.

The Grand Lodge of Michigan commenced its thirty-fourth Annual Communication in the city of Grand Rapids, on the twenty-second day of January, 1878,—the M. W. WILLIAM DUNHAM, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. WILLIAM P. INNES being Grand Secretary. Three hundred and thirty-seven Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master opens his Address with some judicious remarks about the importance of adhering to the "old landmarks" of Masonry, and opposing all innovations. "Whatever you do," said he, "in the way of legislation, see to it that the ancient landmarks be carefully observed and that the usages and customs of the fraternity which have existed from time immemorial be not violated either in letter or spirit."

He had granted dispensations for the formation of three new Lodges, and submitted the papers in relation to one other application to the Grand Lodge. The charter of one Lodge had been arrested for "chronic disease." The members would not live together in peace and harmony, and so their Masonic home was taken from them. On one occasion four members proceeded to open the Lodge, and having done so, granted dimits to three members. They evidently had taken that Grand Master at his word who had decided, in another jurisdiction, that *three* Master Masons could open a Lodge. Several of the decisions made are published, but all are of local interest only.

Grand Secretary GARFIELD had resigned during the year, owing to pressing business engagements, and the Grand Master had appointed Bro. INNES in his place.

The finances of the Grand Lodge are represented as being in an unfavorable condition. The surplus of former years was gone and there would be a deficit at the close of the present one. Elaborate reports were submitted by the District Deputy Grand Masters, but we find in them nothing of general interest.

At the Annual Communication of 1877, a resolution on the subject of temperance was introduced and referred to a committee, to report at this session. Bro. JOHN W. CHAMPLIN, Past Grand Master, from that committee, submitted the following report which was adopted by the Grand Lodge :—

Your committee beg leave to report that they have had the subject under consideration, and have arrived at the following conclusions :—

1st. No general legislation is needed to maintain a proper respect for and observance of the Masonic virtue of Temperance. The observance and practice of this virtue is inculcated in a most impressive manner on our first admission into a Lodge of Masons. It is there enjoined upon us as the constant practice of every Mason. It stands at the head of the four cardinal virtues as the faithful guardian of the secrets of the Order. To violate this virtue subjects the offender to the contempt and detestation of all good Masons, and to the infliction of Masonic penalties. The law as it exists is clear and the penalties adequate. No additional legislation can add to the heinousness of the offense of intemperance, and no additional penalties known to Masonic law can be imposed.

It is not in new legislation that the remedy for intemperance is to be found, but in the enforcement of existing laws. Your committee are satisfied that much of the cause of complaint in this behalf arises from the neglect of observing those reciprocal duties and obligations which rest upon us as Masons towards one another. Intemperance does not burst forth suddenly into the enormity of an offense. It is a plant of slow growth, having its roots nurtured from frequent indulgence until it forms a habit. It is a falling away from that high plane of temperance upon which all upright Masons stand. The downward steps are plainly to be perceived by all the brethren. But do the brethren, animated by that fraternal regard for a brother Mason's welfare which we are taught to exercise and which we profess to have, stretch forth their hands to assist and save the falling brother? Do they whisper in his ear words of caution? Do they give good counsel, not by chiding publicly, but by private admonition? Or rather do they turn away from him, or pass by on the other side, giving him no due and timely notice that he may ward off impending danger?

Your committee are speaking now of that form of intemperance which is manifested by habitual drunkenness; and they are of the opinion that in a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, the members of which discharge towards each other the duties and obligations of Masons, it is generally impossible that there should be an habitual drunkard. Of all the vices to which weak human nature is addicted, it is one most easily detected. It is known and seen of all men, and it is also a vice which is most easily eradicated by the timely interposition of brotherly love. No man can withstand the kindly influence of all the members of a Lodge if put forth to succor and to save. If, having discharged toward one who is contracting the vice of intemperance these good offices, he will not give heed and forsake the error of his ways, cast him out as an unworthy member, who is not entitled to our sympathy, favor or protection.

2d. Special legislation is not needed upon the subject, either to enjoin temperance or to inculcate brotherly love. For if the initiate will not respect the cardinal virtues, nor the brethren fulfill their obligations, without special injunctions so to do, both will be alike unavailing. There is no life in the letter of the law, but in the spirit.

Therefore we say to those brethren who complain of the evil of intemperance among the fraternity, that the blame does not rest upon the intemperate alone, nor with the law-givers, but with the brother in that he has himself so degraded, disgraced and fallen; and with the Lodge in that they did not save him from falling; or failing in this, that they did not wipe out the degradation and disgrace to the fraternity by suspending or expelling him from all the rights and benefits of Masonry.

On this subject of temperance, the Grand Lodge, after much discussion, adopted the following as one of its standing resolutions :—

Resolved, That the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors as a *beverage*—by Masons—is a Masonic offense; and that, if a brother persists therein as a business after being duly admonished, it is the duty of the Lodge of which he is a member to suspend or expel him, in its discretion.

There having been a very great delay in the publication of the proceedings of

1877, the Grand Master called attention to the fact, and a committee appointed to investigate laid the whole blame upon the then Grand Secretary, Bro. GARFIELD.

The Grand Lodge adopted this "straight jacket," to be worn hereafter by the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence :—

Resolved, That the Committee on Foreign Correspondence be and is hereby instructed that in the performance of their duty they simply digest, from the proceedings of Grand Lodges in correspondence with this Grand Lodge, the date of meetings—the number of Lodges represented—the decisions on question of Masonic law adopted by such Grand Lodge and such other matters as the committee may deem of interest to the Craft in Michigan, and that the committee hereafter refrain from criticism of such proceedings, as well as promulgating the opinions of the committee upon decisions, laws, and regulations of this, or any other Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary substantially complied with this resolution in the Report on Correspondence submitted by him. The proceedings of California had not reached our brother.

There are three hundred and thirty-eight Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of twenty-four thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

The *M. W.* JOHN W. FINCH was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* WILLIAM P. INNES was elected Grand Secretary.

After penning the foregoing, we received from our Grand Secretary the proceedings for 1877, which had come to him out of season. The Communication was held in Grand Rapids, on the twenty-third day of January,—the *M. W.* MATTHEW H. MAYNARD, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* ELLERY I. GARFIELD being Grand Secretary. Two hundred and nineteen Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master was mainly devoted to the business of that Jurisdiction. He had issued dispensations for the formation of five new Lodges, and had arrested the charter of one for very unmasonic conduct. The Grand Master complains of the remissness of the officers of Lodges in not attending the Schools of Instruction held by the District Deputies. As to a proposition to abolish this system, he writes strongly in favor of its continuance, and pays a well-merited tribute to the judicious work of the Deputies. One of his decisions relates to the granting of dimitts when no reasons for the application are given—that being a pre-requisite in that jurisdiction. He holds that the whole matter rests in the sound discretion of the Lodge. As to the policy of granting or withholding, under the circumstances alleged, the Grand Master makes these timely suggestions :—

So much for the law. On the question of policy, I will only say a word, which will not be law, but a suggestion. If you have got a man who has a substantial grievance against your Lodge, or against any brother, don't let him go until you endeavor to reconcile him. If you succeed, "thou hast saved thy brother;" if you fail, "put yourself in his place," and do as you would be done by. If you have got a man who has lost his interest in Masonry, who, perhaps, is disappointed in his expectations of finding it to benefit his trade or business, who is too stingy to pay his dues or who pays them grudgingly, who is always finding fault, who is mad because he has not had some office, and in a "hundred and one" ways makes himself disagreeable and all about him unhappy; don't you think you had better let him go? Why do you want to keep him? For the sake of what he pays annually into your treasury? Harmony and peace are worth more than one, two, three, or four dollars per year. You had better let him go. In fine, my brother, act charitably and honestly toward your brother and toward your Lodge, and you will have no trouble in deciding what are good and sufficient reasons for granting a dimit.

Here is one of his decisions, out of which ultimately grew the "temperance" question, on which the report of the committee is noticed in the foregoing review :—

It is not ground for objection to the installation of a duly elected Worshipful Master that he keeps a billiard saloon. If, however, connected with such business he has a bar at which intoxicating drinks are retailed to his patrons, his business is essentially immoral and demoralizing in all its effects upon the community. Any Lodge that will elect such a man as its Worshipful Master is unworthy to hold its charter.

We quote approvingly some of the concluding suggestions of this Address :—

My brethren, our society is not the selfish thing the world calls it. It is a fraternity and every man is a brother. The apostolic injunction is a Masonic motto:—"As we have opportunity let us do good unto all men, especially unto those who are of the household of the faith." And never in the history of the world was there so much work at hand for Masons to do, as now, just now. Corruption festers in our public offices; peculation and dishonesty of every name disgrace and degrade the men who lead the people, and we Masons have something to do about it. We owe positive duties to those around us, and have no right to be content with the mere negative goodness or morality of our own lives.

When CAIN answered God's demands for the missing ABEL with "Am I my brother's keeper?" he spoke the language of a murderer. God and humanity call upon us, "where is thy brother?"—thy brother man as well as brother Mason. Where is that virtue which God gave him, and which alone makes him a man? If Masonry has any peculiar and distinctive work in the world it is to promote morality, temperance, and the administration of justice among men. These things are not to be left to the church. We do not pretend to do her work, nor is Masonry a religion or in any sense a substitute therefor. The one deals with man's relations to his God, the other with his duties to his fellow man, simply declaring at the outset that he who owns no God can be susceptible of no honest brotherly emotion, and amenable to no fraternal obligations. I desire to say then that to cultivate public morality as well as private virtue is the duty of every Mason.

Worshipful Masters: Have you in your Lodges the notoriously profligate and profane? Have you those whose daily life and occupation is to sow the seeds of death among their neighbors—whose presence by your fireside with your wives and daughters would be a contamination not to be endured? Purge your Lodges of such. They are a source of weakness and a cause of shame and disgrace. I say these things here because I have been called upon to say them to the Worshipful Masters singly, in reply to anxious inquiries (in instances more than I would like to mention) during the past year. A society making the professions that we make ought to be heard from upon questions of public morality. The trumpet of the Grand Master, at least, shall give forth no uncertain sound.

Masonry has outlived all its persecutors and stands to-day pre-eminent among all human institutions, because its principles have the vitality and the sanction of the word of God. As we maintain, practice, and transmit these principles in a purity unsullied by the contaminations of greed or the toleration of vicious associates, so may we boldly unfurl our banners bearing the title which we proudly claim of AN ANCIENT AND HONORABLE FRATERNITY.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Grand Secretary GARFIELD, and a supplemental Report for 1876, by Bro. FOSTER PRATT. California is fully noticed. Grand Master BROWNE'S Address is complimented, and so is our own report for that year. We certainly appreciate and return thanks for the kind words uttered.

The M. W. WILLIAM DUNHAM was elected Grand Master and the R. W. ELLERY I. GARFIELD was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MINNESOTA.

The twenty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota was begun in the city of Saint Paul, on the fifteenth day of January, 1878,—the R. W. E. W. DURANT, Deputy Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. AZARIAH T. C. PIERSON being Grand Secretary. One hundred Lodges were represented.

A special Communication had been held in the same place, on the sixteenth day of December, 1877, called to attend the funeral of the M. W. Grand Master, JAMES C. BRADEN, who died in San Antonio, Texas, the week before, and whose remains were brought to Minnesota for interment. The services were very solemn and impressive. In his Address at the Annual Communication, the Deputy Grand Master thus alludes to the afflictive event and to the character and worth of the deceased:—

The sad duty devolves upon me to formally announce to you the death of our late Grand Master, Brother JAMES C. BRADEN, who departed this life in the city of San Antonio, Texas, December ninth last, at the early age of forty-two years.

Death to our brother had no terrors, save the severing of those dearest, sweetest ties on earth that bind us to our friends, our wives and little ones.

Calmly he put his house in order for the last great day of life, the first great day of death. Little he thought of himself, but his every thought and wish seemed to go out with caressing tenderness for his wife and children.

I am glad to say that Bro. BRADEN during his last sickness was the recipient of that loving care of his Masonic brethren that has so long made the order memorable for its deeds of love and kindness. Our brethren of San Antonio, with loving hands performed the last sad offices due from the living to the dead, and the widow and the fatherless, though in a strange land, found in the fraternity true and affectionate friends in the dark hour of their affliction. Bro. R. H. NEAL, Worshipful Master of *Anchor* Lodge, No 424, of San Antonio, Texas, with Bro. C. E. FISHER, were with the family of our Grand Master during his last hours, rendering every attention that could alleviate the sorrows of those who stood by the bedside of him who was so soon to enter the gloomy portals of the world beyond. When the spirit of our brother had taken its flight, and but his unconscious form remained, Masonic hands, actuated by the same brotherly love, performed the last sad duties due to our dead brother, and, with kind words and deeds, did all that in their power lay to lighten the grief of his widow and little ones. The same good offices to the dead and widowed were bestowed by the brethren of Houston, Texas, St. Louis, Mo., and at St. Paul.

Bro. BRADEN'S remains were followed to their last resting-place by a large and imposing cortege of our brethren, and as the sun sank slowly below the horizon on Sunday, December sixteenth, we tenderly and sadly placed all that was mortal of our late Grand Master in the silent tomb.

Brethren, the character of our Grand Master was such as merits our warmest commendation. His character was of that rare type that men delight to honor, and my brethren, the honors that we have paid, and on this day pay, to the memory of our deceased brother, are not mere offerings to the dead or mere consolation to the living, for honors paid to the memory of such a man go beyond, and become incentives to those who, witnessing such scenes, cannot remain insensible to the fact that men's lives live after them in the memory of their fellow men. As a citizen, Bro. BRADEN was strictly moral and of rare ability; as a soldier, our State and country can testify of his worth, recorded as it is, in the history of hard fought battles; as a husband, devoted and affectionate, and solicitous always for the happiness and welfare of her who in early life he had chosen to walk with him life's pathway hand in hand.

And now, my brethren, you have again, like the craft of old, assembled to receive instructions for your work. You examine the trestle board, and behold there are no plans upon it; you look to the East, and the Grand Master is not there; instantly there flashes upon your mind the beautiful, aye, the grand story upon which our noble order is founded, and in quick review pass before you the quarries and the Fellow Crafts at work—the mountains of Lebanon, with their tall and stately cedars, solemn sentinels of that sombre land, and there is Joppa where the timber for the building of the temple was brought by the sea, there she sits on the high hills, overlooking the waves, while far away to the west shines the Mediterranean, blue and lustrous, as a silken tunic; and there too is Jerusalem, the city of the children of God, and in the minds of us they are building the second Temple; silently, stone by stone, rises the magnificent fabric, the temple of a nation, the poetry and religion of a whole people, grand and lofty, as was found expression in that one temple, built and dedicated to the one God.

But a shadow falls across the brightness of the scene. No plans are found upon the trestle board, and the workmen, looking each into the face of his brother, say, "Our Grand Master is dead." So I come to you, my brethren, this day, and say, *our* Grand Master is dead.

The acting Grand Master had but few items in his Address in addition to those which refer to the great loss the Craft in the jurisdiction had sustained. The scourge of grass-hoppers, which had devastated the fertile plains of Minnesota in years past, had passed away, and "the places that were laid waste and desolate are now the homes of plenty, peace, and happiness."

The defalcation of the late Grand Secretary, E. D. B. PORTER, he having appropriated to his own use one thousand dollars of the Grand Lodge funds, was brought before the Grand Lodge, and the brother, making no defense, was expelled from the fraternity.

Dispensations for four new Lodges were issued and two other applications were referred to the Grand Lodge.

Bro. AHIRA RICHARDSON, the Grand Tyler, had also passed away during the year, and the Grand Master pays a suitable tribute to his memory.

A compilation or digest of the decisions of the Grand Lodge was submitted by Bro. IRVING TODD, and one thousand copies were ordered to be printed and sold to the subordinate Lodges. When will some zealous and capable brother do the same thing for our jurisdiction?

The question of the recognition of "African Grand Lodges" again came up on the report of the committee, appointed at the last Communication, to consider certain resolutions offered by Past Grand Master GOODRICH, declaring all such pretended Masonic organizations in Minnesota clandestine. The report was submitted by Bro. J. N. CASTLE and fully endorsed the resolutions, but recommended that the whole subject be indefinitely postponed; and the Grand Lodge so ordered.

The request of the Grand Master of Manitoba, that certain persons living near the border of that Province might be permitted to join a Lodge in that jurisdiction, was granted.

A "Lodge of Sorrow" was held on the evening of the first day's session, in commemoration of the late Grand Master and Grand Tyler. The Grand Secretary being a "33°" presided, and all the ceremonies were most imposing. The Grand Orator, Bro. R. A. JONES, delivered an oration, and several other brothers pronounced eulogies upon the deceased. These are all published in the proceedings, and we would like to quote therefrom, but have already extended our sketch to appropriate limits.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of the Grand Secretary, a veteran in this business, who only writes the better the oftener he tries. His report is a review of the proceedings of forty-five Grand Lodges, California, for 1876, being one. Bro. PIERSON is very complimentary in his notice of California. He says Grand Master BROWNE "is one of the comparatively few *practical* Masons that we find in elevated positions," and by way of proving this quotes three pages from his Address.

Bro. PIERSON dissents somewhat from the report of our Committee on Jurisprudence, against the proposition to require three black balls to defeat an applicant. He says:—

The committee is just a little at fault in the language that "from time immemorial they have been a part of the fundamental law of Masonry in all the world," unless, perchance, England and South Carolina are not part of the world, neither of which required unanimity. There is, in our way of thinking, a something required, so that a Master Mason and a profane should not stand on an equality before the door of a Masonic Lodge.

Bro. BONTE's Address is also highly complimented and nearly a page is quoted therefrom, being, he says, "of as much interest in Minnesota as in California." The "Masonic bummers," who trade in pictures and self-styled diplomas, get the benefit of a first-rate notice. We infer that they have invaded Minnesota as well as California. Kind thanks to Bro. PIERSON for his flattering notice of ourself and report.

There are one hundred and twenty-four Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of six thousand seven hundred and thirty-nine.

The *M. W.* EDWARD W. DUBANT was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* AZARIAH T. C. PIERSON was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI.

The sixtieth Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge commenced its sessions in the city of Grenada, on the sixth day of February, 1878,—the *M. W.* JOHN Y. MURRY, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* J. L. POWER being Grand Secretary. Representatives were present from two hundred and twenty-nine Lodges.

The Grand Master delivered a somewhat long, but able and well written, Address, which gave evidence that he had been a faithful officer and well deserving the resolution of thanks adopted by the Grand Lodge. He congratulated the brethren that, with very few exceptions, harmony prevailed throughout the jurisdiction; and though their numbers had not increased, the Grand Master regarded that fact as a favorable sign, rather than the reverse. Opponents and those without did not and could not harm Masonry. But from bad men within, serious danger was always to be apprehended. The following words of the Grand Master are well worth thinking about in other jurisdictions besides Mississippi:—

Overzeal of the friend in trying to break down even well founded opposition to the reception of a candidate, or, as is very often the case, in trying to drive other members from their honest convictions of duty, where efforts are being made to get rid of the unworthy, very often produces discord, and sometimes results in irreparable injury to subordinate Lodges. Only men of the strongest moral courage dare to use the negative vote, in the *one*, or affirmative, in the *other* class of cases. My idea of duty, in such matters, is this: "oppose with firmness the unworthy applicant," and when a piece of timber has been brought in, "which is unfit for the builder's use"—when the fruit of the tree is evil instead of good,—go forward with equal firmness and earnestness: "cut down and cast it out."

The Grand Master thinks that another draw-back to Freemasonry is "the many other secret societies in the country." The Master Mason, in his opinion, should be content with his Masonic Lodge and work, and not go after every new thing. Perhaps he is right in this, but, as we know by personal observation and experience, the question has two sides, and we think brethren should be left free to do as they please. He thinks farther, that there is too much talking and writing about Freemasonry, and recommends a more careful *tyling* of the tongue and pen. Some plan should be adopted to limit or restrict book Masonry, but what the true remedy is he is at a loss to determine.

While "no form of religious faith or even government is ever attacked by genuine Freemasonry," it is still uncompromisingly opposed to *Atheism*, and he trusts that all American Grand Lodges will follow the example of that of Ireland, and "repudiate all correspondence with the Grand Orient of France on account of atheistical and infidel doctrines being tolerated by the latter."

One of his decisions, concurred in by the Grand Lodge, was "that the loss of one half of the little finger of the right hand is not a physical disqualification for being made a Mason."

The Deputy Grand Master, who, in this jurisdiction, is an appointee of the Grand Master, also submitted a report of his work during the year. He had been asked "whether it was proper, under any circumstances, to permit dancing, public or private, in the Lodge room? Is it not unmasonic to permit the Lodge room to be used for a place of political meeting or social dancing?" And this was his answer:—

Although my opinion on the subject amounts to no more than that of any other Mason, yet I will give it briefly. To your first query, consulting my own feelings, I should answer emphatically—*no*. My reason for this is, simply, that I have always looked upon the Lodge as a sacred place, and upon its room as partaking in a measure of the sanctity of the Lodge; and, under these circumstances, I should feel no more hesitancy in using the house of God for a ball room than a Masonic Lodge room for a like purpose. I am aware that my views on this subject are probably extreme, but so long as I do not propose to set them up as law for my brethren, who as honestly think different, they will allow them. So far as the use of Lodge rooms for political purposes is concerned, it seems to me there can be no question as to its utter impropriety. The Lodge should never, under any circumstances, by its action, give any grounds for the profane to charge the institution with political or sectarian tendencies, and such would be the result were the Lodge room allowed to be used for political meetings. The Lodge itself, or in its vacation the Master, must decide whether its hall may be used as a ball room. I hold that a Lodge is the proper custodian and governor of its own property, and that is also the law of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary's report is a full statement of the work of his office. He also makes several very sensible suggestions. About the payment of dues, instead of receiving the gross amount at the December meeting, he thinks it would be best for the Senior Deacon to pass around and collect at each communication. There is common sense in that, and we should like to see it tried occasionally, always provided that no "landmark" be violated by so doing.

Past Grand Master ANDREW J. WHEELER, of Tennessee, was introduced and appropriately welcomed.

In relation to the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba," the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence are of the opinion that no legitimate and satisfactory evidence had been presented of its regular organization, and they recommend delay in its recognition. The Grand Lodge concurred. These resolutions were adopted:—

Resolved, That the Grand Orient of France having, by its action in abrogating one of the landmarks of Masonry, placed itself without the pale of Masonry, all fellowship and relations with that body and this Grand Lodge were by that act dissolved and annulled.

Resolved, That the subordinates of this Grand Lodge are directed to close their doors against all persons owing allegiance to the Grand Orient of France.

The sum of five hundred dollars was voted to the "Natchez Protestant Orphan Asylum;" and the Grand Lodge of New Mexico was recognized and welcomed.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence, covering one hundred and forty pages of the appendix, was submitted by Bro. JAS. M. HOWRY, who wields a graceful pen and speaks his mind plainly. He is very full in his notice of California proceedings for 1876, congratulating the fraternity on the Pacific Coast that *Volcano* Lodge has only thirty-eight members! "No danger" he adds, "of a blow-up there at present!" Certainly not, if we wait therefor until our worthy brethren of *Volcano* Lodge apply the torch!

He quotes liberally and approvingly from Grand Master BROWN's Address. He wishes, from the bottom of his heart, that every "drone could have read to him in public and in presence of his working brethren, and the poor and needy widows and orphans of his deceased brethren," what the Grand Master said about the lazy brethren.

BRO. BONTE is complimented for his address, which, he says, is "interesting and sensible, and destitute of that extravagance which often characterizes Masonic addresses." For the very kind notice and liberal extracts from our own report, we tender our thanks. This is the first report from the pen of Bro. HOWRY, but he need make no apology therefor. He could hardly have improved thereon had he been an old veteran like Bro. DRUMMOND, of Maine.

There are three hundred and fourteen Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of ten thousand two hundred and forty-two.

The M. W. CHARLES T. MURPHY was elected Grand Master and the R. W. J. L. POWER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

MISSOURI.

The Grand Lodge of Missouri commenced its fifty-seventh Annual Communication in the city of St. Louis on the ninth day of October, 1877,—the M. W. XENOPHON RYLAND, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JOHN W. LUKE being Grand Secretary. Two hundred and eighty Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master RYLAND is very long, but well written and able in its discussion of the several topics brought forward for the notice of the Grand Lodge. After paying a just and feeling tribute to the memory of the venerable JOHN DOVE, for so many years the Grand Secretary of the jurisdiction of Virginia, the Grand Master devotes a page and more to the late eminent and lamented Grand Secretary of his own jurisdiction, the R. W. GEORGE FRANK GOULEY. And we may here add that the Grand Lodge also did full justice to the memory of the same beloved Mason. His portrait graces the proceedings as a beautiful frontispiece, and we would be glad to copy some of the eulogies pronounced upon him. But having devoted much of our space last year to this same topic, we must be content at this time with this brief notice.

Past Grand Master WM. E. DUNSCOMBE had also passed away during the year. He had been a resident of the State for more than forty years, and had occupied several high civil as well as Masonic positions. Latterly, his mind was shattered and broken. The Grand Master says: "The tenderness and care bestowed upon him in his affliction demonstrated how strong a hold he had upon the Masonic fraternity. The gentleness and kindness which he acquired in a life-time of usefulness never deserted him, even after the light of his reason was darkened."

Fraternal relations had at last been re-established between the Grand Lodges of Missouri and Scotland, and the Grand Master expressed the hope that "their diffi-

culties were at an end in that quarter, and that nothing in future would happen to mar the intercourse thus honorably begun." The Grand Lodge of New Mexico was recognized and welcomed.

The Grand Master publishes fifteen of his decisions, the second of which was that "the loss of two fingers of the left hand constitutes no physical disqualification under the laws of Masonry." On this decision, the committee on Masonic Jurisprudence and the Grand Lodge reported and decided favorably, sustaining the same by this train of reasoning :—

The subject of "physical qualifications" comes up in some quarter of the jurisdiction regularly every year. It is here the loss of an eye, there of a finger or two, and somewhere else a thumb, or even an arm or leg. It also happens that those persons who have been so unfortunate as to lose a member or a limb are good men, and their friends think it unjust that they should be deprived of the privileges and benefits of Masonry through an accident for which their moral character is in no way responsible. This is a question which must be met and adjusted on a basis of common sense, to be either just or generally satisfactory; and our forms and rituals furnish the key to such a solution. The original object of many of our forms of initiation was to place a bar against the admission of any one who had not the free and unhampered use of all his limbs. Ability to conform to our ceremonies implied that he was also able to make his own living, and not be a burden on the Order; and, if need be, to render bodily assistance to a brother in distress. These conditions were exemplified in the rule: "We should make no man a Mason who is not upright in body, or who is deformed or dismembered at the time of making, but he must be of hale and entire limbs, as a man ought to be,"—which was affirmed by our Grand Lodge, in 1850. It has been necessary to construe and apply this rule to individual cases from year to year, and men have been ruled out for the lack of an eye, and admitted when their defect was the loss of one or two fingers of the left hand. A strict construction of the old regulations would, doubtless, exclude all physical or mental defects that are apparent. Let us construe the law and usage, at once and for all, according to the forms and ceremonies of initiation, making them the infallible test of bodily and mental qualifications, by re-affirming the rule of 1871: "Ability to conform literally to the ceremonies of initiation into the several degrees meets the ancient qualifications of 'sound in mind and member.'" This rule can work no unjust ostracism, and it is understood by all Masons. Let it be adopted.

On the eighth decision—which relates to a perplexing question,—the Grand Master thus reasons and decides :—

Can a Lodge of Masons, when requested to conduct the funeral ceremonies of a deceased brother, who was also a member of non-Masonic associations, share with such associations the right of appointing pall-bearers, or allow them to participate in the ceremonies at the grave?"

The difficulties surrounding this question are recognized. If no request is made, we have no right whatever to appear in procession with other associations which have been requested to perform the last sad rites of burial over the remains of a deceased brother. This is a rock of offense to such associations. If the request is legally and properly made to a Masonic Lodge, then, in performing these ceremonies, it must have absolute control; and in those jurisdictions permitting other associations to assist at the grave, the Lodge performs its ceremonies last. This gives offense.

We cannot afford to apologize to other associations for our laws. They have been handed down to us from generation to generation, and we can suffer no infringement upon them. The Lodge on such occasions is at labor, and no one not a Mason can participate therein. Non-affiliated Masons cannot appear in our processions. Why exclude them, as well as our Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts, if profanes are to assist in this labor? There is no question of courtesy here. It is a question of Masonic law and is not rightly viewed in any other light.

There is no prohibition against any other associations following the Lodge in procession to the grave, thus testifying their respect to the dead, but they are excluded from all further participation.

This is the only rule that will prevent conflicts on such mournful occasions, and is in strict accordance with our principles.

Decision.—That a Masonic Lodge is at labor when conducting funeral services, and in the performance of this or other Masonic labor in public it must have absolute control; and, while exercising this control, no non-Masonic associations shall be permitted to participate. This, of course, does not extend to religious exercises.

We have had our say on this question, in previous reports, and add no further comments at present. Dispensations had been issued for the formation of four new Lodges.

The members of one Lodge—*Live Oak*, No 128 — had acted so outrageously in a certain trial that both the Master and the District Deputy recommended the arrest of the charter. The Grand Lodge approved, and so, to use the terse language of the Grand Master, "*Live Oak* Lodge became a blasted, withered tree, without root or branch." The ballot-box should have been more strictly guarded in the first place.

Another Lodge was severely censured for sending out an electioneering document in favor of the election of one of the members as Grand Secretary.

Past Grand Master JOHN W. LUKE had been appointed Grand Secretary and chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, *vice* Bro. GOULEY, deceased.

We quote the eloquent words with which the Grand Master closes his very able and interesting address:—

I should prove false to the emotions that fill my breast did I fail to express my appreciation of the honor you conferred upon me when, by your suffrages, you caused me to stand upon this floor to be hailed by the same title which you bestowed upon my father a quarter of a century ago—Grand Master of Masons. To maintain the honor and integrity of this Grand Lodge has been the aim of all my official actions. For the errors I may have committed I bespeak the charity of my brethren, and render unto them my thanks for the kindness they have shown to me, the recollection of which shall ever be truly a source of joy and happiness.

It has been said that a famous light-house off the coast of Cornwall, England, was first built by an eccentric genius, who, proud of its structure, from its balcony defied the storm. The night came when the sea swallowed up the tower and builder. It was built a second time of wood and stone by another, who perished in the flames that destroyed it. Yet the third time it lifted up its head under the skill of the builder, who from the rock of the foundation took the stones of superstructure. Upon its lower course was inscribed, "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it." And on its keystone, above the lantern, the simple tribute, "*Laus Deo.*" And the structure still stands, holding its beacon light to the storm-tossed mariner.

The temple we are erecting has for its foundation stone, "*Trust in God.*" In faith, hope and charity, we draw from this foundation material for our superstructure, and so long as we shall labor with temperance, fortitude, prudence, and justice, our building shall rise in wisdom, strength, and beauty.

In the performance of our work, let us hold aloft the Great Light which enables us to separate the good from the evil, and may we lead our fellow men to the true knowledge and worship of Him who alone can "cause our feet to stand in an even place." Then shall there be said of it: "The sun will no more be thy light by day, neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee; but the Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory." In the study of our ritual let us not forget that our work and influence must be felt beyond our Masonic halls. He alone earns for himself the title of a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, who uses his light and knowledge not only to restrain but to call back his brother from error's way, and to alleviate the woes and misfortunes of his fellow men. High upon the Rocky Mountains there blooms a little flower, light and graceful in form. Though the storms hover around it, come early and linger late, it refreshes the air with its perfume and fragrance. There is no place so bleak and barren, pressed by the foot of man, but there he may leave evidence of his kinship to the Great Creator, if he will only imitate the Divine example. Here and there he may scatter words of kindness, love, and sympathy, and, by acts of mercy, refresh with perfume even the last darkness that must come to the tired and worn spirit. If we would always be on the alert in the dark and by-ways of earth through which we must travel, we may discover hearts bending before the cold winds and storms of adversity, into which we may drop the seed "whose bloom the world shall see." Our laws may be without a flaw; the truths we teach and principles we hold be perfect in their adaptation to the wants of man; but without we put them to practical use, our tenets of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth are meaningless words.

Action on the recognition of the "Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba" was postponed until the next Annual Communication.

One brother had been expelled by his Lodge for "disclosing his ballot and threatening to blackball any candidate who might be recommended by a certain brother." He was also charged with giving the signs of Masonry in saloons and other public places. The Grand Lodge approved, and we say Amen.

On another case, where the medium of the Lodge was sought to remedy certain mere business difficulties, the committee speak thus plainly and rightly. Our Grand Lodge unsparingly turns such disturbers out of the Masonic Court:—

After sifting all the evidence to the bottom, and throwing out the volumes of stuff that somebody had said about somebody else, and that Tom had told Dick, and Peter had heard from Paul, that a rumor had been in circulation, which, if true, made things look awful, we find that the accused was the administrator of an estate, and as such had a note against the witness that he wanted to collect, and it was not exactly convenient for the witness to pay. Another specification stated that accused had bought a house and moved it off some land on which somebody had a deed of trust, and it was thought this was wrong.

We build court-houses in which to settle matters of business differences that parties are unable to adjust between themselves. Lodges were not intended as a theatre for such controversies, and if this committee were to pass on this case from the evidence before it, we would find that Bro. PEUGH was no more to blame than the other parties, one of whom was not a Mason. But we have no business to meddle with this thing, and neither had the Lodge.

Here is another absurd case on which the committee and Grand Lodge sat down rather heavily:—

The specifications in this case charge the accused with insulting the Lodge publicly in the presence of "profanes." The evidence shows that there was a celebration and dinner by the Lodge, which the accused refused to attend, and, when asked for his reason, he said that he did not want to eat dinner with two men who had swindled him out of \$1,100 or \$1,200; that it was hard at his age, when too old to work, to lose that money by these men. This answer was made to a Mason, but in the presence of some parties who were not Masons.

We do not know any law in Masonry that compels a man to eat dinner with a party when he don't want to; nor do we know of any law that prevents a man from answering a question when it is propounded. We regard this trial, and the expulsion of the brother by a vote of only eight members, as a farce. The record does not show that the members were notified, according to law, of the meeting of the Lodge for the trial, and, there being but eleven members present, we cannot presume that notice was given.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by the acting Grand Secretary, and fills over one hundred pages of the proceedings. Bro. LUKE says he found such ample memoranda left by Bro. GOULEY, that he availed himself of the same without alteration or comment. These memoranda, marked with the initials of Bro. GOULEY, form nearly one half the report. California is thus honored, and we have here almost his last words of comment and commendation. He compliments and quotes from the Address of Grand Master BROWNE, approving all his positions except where "a change of venue was granted to an accused, because the Master was the injured party." He thinks a change of venue "is unknown, except in very rare cases of special legislation," and that the first decision of Grand Master BROWNE covered this particular case. Bros. SHAEFFER, BONTE, and our own humble self, come in for a favorable word.

There are four hundred and eighty Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of twenty-three thousand two hundred and twenty.

The *M. W.* THOMAS C. READY was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* JOHN D. VINCIL was elected Grand Secretary.

MONTANA.

The Grand Lodge of Montana commenced its thirteenth Annual Communication in Helena, on the second day of October, 1877,—the *M. W.* JULIAN M. KNIGHT, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* CORNELIUS HEDGES being Grand Secretary. Nineteen Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master submitted an Address, well written and full of excellent suggestions for the benefit of the Craft. We cull a paragraph or two from the opening, as they speak our sentiments to a dot:—

It is often said that we make religion of Masonry. "Religion is the golden cord that unites man to God; Masonry the silver line which runs from man to man." We do not pretend to place Masonry on a par with religion; but its mission is one of peace; it unites men of every country, sect and opinion, and brings them to one common altar. And while it does not compel a belief in any particular creed or religion, it does require of each initiate that he profess a belief in the existence of

God, the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe. It teaches reverence to God—that there is a life beyond the grave—a hope in immortality.

Masonry is condemned by its enemies because it is a secret society. While it is true that Masonry does its *work* in secret, it cannot be said that we conceal our principles or designs. No society or sect in the world carries out the duties of relieving the distressed, of comforting the widow and the fatherless, as faithfully and invariably as the Masonic Fraternity. Masonry advocates and upholds everything that is calculated to promote the happiness and best interests of mankind; and, while pursuing its mission on earth, opens its doors and invites the good men of every nation to enlist under its banner. It asks no one to go beyond his means or capacities—requires of us no more than we can perform; only our duty to God, our neighbor, and ourselves.

The world is full of men with little or no principle; and, unfortunately for us, too many of them have got into our Lodges. There are Masons who seem unable to speak well of any one: who are always ready and only too willing to circulate a slander against a brother. Any slanderer is detestable, but more especially a Masonic slanderer. We cannot be too guarded in our words and actions. Masonry teaches us to regard a brother's honor as our own, and to protect his good name whenever unjustly assailed. Masonry does not teach us to expose and perhaps magnify a brother's faults, but to be charitable toward one who errs; to hide his faults from the world, while we admonish him privately; and by precept and example assist him in regaining the position he has lost through folly or error.

The Grand Master alludes to the complaint made by *Eureka* Lodge, No. 16, of California, against *Silver Star* Lodge, No. 17, of Montana, for not refunding moneys expended at its request upon Bro. T. W. NIXON, a member of the last named Lodge. The subject had been called to his attention by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary of California. The Grand Master then says:—

At a personal interview, and also by an official communication, the Worshipful Master of *Silver Star* Lodge informed me that his Lodge was then unable to repay *Eureka* Lodge, out of Lodge funds or by assessment.

On the thirteenth of May, A. L. 5877, I addressed a communication to the *M. W.*. JOHN MILLS BROWNE, Grand Master of Masons in California, informing him that *Silver Star* Lodge was then unable to pay said indebtedness; and that I would refer the matter to this Grand Lodge for consideration.

I would recommend that a committee be appointed, to whom all papers in relation to the matter be referred; and that they be instructed to obtain all the information possible, and report to this Grand Lodge what action is necessary to be taken.

The committee was appointed and its report was as follows:—

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Address in relation to the claims of *Eureka* Lodge, No. 16, of California, against *Silver Star* Lodge, No. 17, for the care of Bro. Nixon, after a careful investigation of the matter, are of the opinion that *Silver Star* Lodge was, on the twenty-seventh of March, 1875, indebted to *Eureka* Lodge, in the sum of six hundred and ninety-two dollars and twenty cents (692.20) in gold; and this amount still remains unpaid. It is also our opinion that in the present condition of *Silver Star* Lodge this indebtedness imposes a burden upon it that it cannot carry, and we believe it the duty of this Grand Lodge to devise some means to assist it in liquidating said indebtedness.

The report was adopted, as was the following preamble and resolution:—

Whereas the matter of the indebtedness of *Silver Star* Lodge, No. 17, to *Eureka* Lodge No. 16, of California, affords a striking example of the dangers of authorizing unlimited expenditures of moneys for the benefit of indigent members in a foreign jurisdiction: therefore be it

Resolved, That the several Lodges in this jurisdiction be admonished that, in future, in similar cases, they shall not authorize the expenditure of money for the relief of members abroad beyond the limits of their ability to pay.

Subsequently the Grand Lodge voted to devote \$219.20 of the Charity Fund and \$150.00 of the General Fund to the liquidation of this debt; in addition to which \$200 had been raised by subscription of members of *Silver Star* Lodge.

The Grand Master speaks these plain words relative to vices too prevalent among Masons "who know the right and yet the wrong pursue:—"

I am of the opinion that the standing resolution adopted at our Sixth Annual Communication, A. L. 5872, declaring that "indulgence in the vices of intemperance, gambling, licentiousness, and profanity, is virtual high treason to the most vital and

essential tenets of Masonry," has not been as strictly enforced as it should have been. If we desire to maintain the honor and advance the prosperity of the fraternity, we should not, in our intercourse with the world, disregard its principles or neglect the duties which it teaches. Indulgence in those vices not only injures the individual Mason, but it brings disgrace upon the entire fraternity. Masonry is not a temperance organization; yet temperance is one of the cardinal virtues of the Order. Masonry is not a religious Order; but it advocates a high standard of morality, and teaches us to square our actions by the unerring rule of God's sacred word. Masonry is not a school for reformation; therefore those who indulge in those vices should not be permitted to enter our door. We are responsible for the character, and are judged by the acts of our individual members; and when a brother wilfully violates that resolution, and persistently refuses to listen to words of admonition, it is not charity for his Lodge to tolerate such continued wrong-doing. It is only self-preservation that such punishment as the nature of the case demands should be promptly inflicted.

The Grand Lodge responded by adopting the following as a substitute for the standing resolutions then in force:—

Resolved, That it is the determined sense of this Grand Lodge that the indulgence in the vices of intemperance, gambling, licentiousness, profanity, or either of them, by Masons in this jurisdiction, should be promptly suppressed by the subordinate Lodges; and it is enjoined as a constant and special duty of all Masters to counsel, caution, and admonish the Craft in this respect; and in case of wilful persistence, the Lodge shall punish those found guilty of such indulgence, by the infliction of adequate penalties.

BRO. HEDGES submitted a well-written and witty report as Grand Secretary. He alludes to "the invasion of our jurisdiction by sundry Nez Perces Lodges without warrant or dispensation by the Grand Master; but, by the kindly dispensation of Providence and the close attention of the soldiers, these Lodges have withdrawn towards the direction of Masonic darkness, where, we trust, their light will remain in perpetual eclipse."

We unite in this wish that these clandestine Lodges, under their Grand Master, "Sitting Bull," may never again trouble our American jurisdictions. They were worse enemies than our colored brethren in Ohio and elsewhere—for these last only gave us theoretical trouble—the others of a kind that sometimes "raises the hair." (*Vide* Virgil, and "when found make a note of it!")

The Grand Lodge of New Mexico was fraternally greeted. Action touching the rival Grand Lodges in Cuba was postponed. The engraved portrait of Grand Master KNIGHT graces the pamphlet before us as a frontispiece.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is again from the graceful pen of the Grand Secretary. It occupies sixty pages of the appendix, and is fully up to the mark of excellence already attained by Bro. HEDGES. California for 1876 is liberally and genially noticed. Copious extracts are made from the address of Grand Master BROWNE. Bro. HEDGES says of this address, that it "exceeded the average of its predecessors in strength and wisdom, if not in beauty of style." Bro. BONTE is complimented upon his fine oration of that year, he having "handled his subjects with vigor, originality, and great eloquence."

Were we a blonde, instead of a rather dark brunette, we feel quite sure a blush of pleasure would rise to our cheeks as we read the very handsome words our good brother is pleased to write touching our own report of that year. Kindly and warm thanks, Bro. HEDGES, and may *your* shadow never be less. Our Montana brethren, too, know how "to keep hold of and use a good thing when they find it" in the shape of a Grand Secretary.

There are twenty-two Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of six hundred and sixty-four.

The *M. W.* WILLIAM A. CLARK was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* CORNELIUS HEDGES was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NEBRASKA.

The twentieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska was held in the city of Omaha, on the nineteenth day of June, 1877,—the *M. W.* GEORGE H. THUMMETT, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* WILLIAM R. BOWEN being Grand Secretary. Fifty-eight Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master opens his Address with congratulations and thanks that death has not visited the ranks of the Grand Lodge in that commonwealth, although he had been busy elsewhere. The “blessings of peace, quietness, and prosperity had reigned throughout the jurisdiction.” He had appointed Representatives near all the Grand Lodges, and thinks that this position should not be merely an honorary one. The Grand Lodge of Nebraska requires each of these Grand Representatives “to submit a statement of the status and condition of the Grand Jurisdiction which he has the honor to represent, which is to be taken in lieu of that usually performed by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.” We do not think the Grand Representatives saw the matter in that light, for we do not find a single report from them in the proceedings before us, nor is there any report from the Committee on Correspondence. So, in attempting to sit upon two stools, our Nebraska brethren seem to have come to the ground.

Some little difficulty seems to have arisen between this Grand Jurisdiction and that of Indiana, owing to the fact that a Lodge subordinate to the latter had refused to reimburse one of the former’s subordinates for expenses incurred on account of the sickness of one of its members. The Grand Lodge of Indiana upheld its subordinate, and that of Nebraska deemed this an unkind cut, and “spoke right out in meeting.” Past Grand Master RICE, of Indiana, the Grand Representative from Nebraska, tendered his resignation on account of this difference of opinion, he siding fully with his own Grand Lodge. The Grand Master submitted the whole matter to his Grand Lodge and suggested arbitration by eminent Masons from other jurisdictions. Some hopeful resolutions were adopted, but practically, so far as we can gather from the proceedings, matters remain *in statu quo* for another year. We hope that brotherly love will prevail.

The Grand Master had issued dispensations for five new Lodges. One Lodge had surrendered its charter. He apologized for his non-visitation of most of the Lodges, on account of the pressure of other business. He had requested the Deputy Grand Master and Grand Wardens to take his place, which they did, and their reports appear in the proceedings.

The Grand Secretary submitted a very well written and plain spoken report. In it is more than a hint that the brethren have thrown more than his share of work and expense upon his shoulders, as follows :—

Your Secretary reports, that during the year he has performed *all* the duties imposed on him by the Grand Lodge, so far as practicable. Some things have not been done for want of funds; others, because one year could not complete the labor; still, in general terms, all the work of the office has been performed, and there has been a great deal of it.

Since October, your Secretary has employed an assistant about all the time, and, since April, his office has been open from 8 A. M. to 10 P. M. every day, Sundays excepted. His furniture cost over one half of his salary, and the balance has been expended for assistance. To the fraternity of Omaha, the thanks of the Grand Lodge are due for the well arranged office room, for which no rent is asked or paid.

The Grand Lodge of Nebraska is accustomed to open its Annual Communications as “a Lodge of Master Masons in ample form;” and the Grand Secretary says he is “the target for many crack shots,” in the way of criticism therefor, although he only *records* the proceedings and does not *make* them.

Here is a remedy which he suggests for the many suspensions for non-payment of dues; but we fear that in practical application, the remedy would be worse than the disease. The idea, however, is worthy of consideration :—

He submits for consideration of the Grand Lodge, or the constituent Lodges, whether it would not be to the best interests of the Craft to require of each one, who

hereafter becomes a member of our Lodges, the deposit of a sum of money, the interest of which, at six or seven per centum, will pay the annual dues against such member; this sum, with any surplus interest accrued, to be returned to such member when he leaves the Lodge. The result of this system would be to diminish the number of suspensions, and to rid the institution somewhat of that pecuniary characteristic toward which it is tending.

In relation to the vexed question of re-imbursement for expenses incurred in the care and burial of sojourning Masons, Bro. BOWEN submits the answers given by the Grand Secretaries of the various Grand Jurisdictions to several queries presented by the late Grand Secretary of Missouri, GEORGE FRANK GOULEY. We give the questions below, with the answers from the Grand Secretary of California:—

First. Is it the custom of Lodges in your jurisdiction to go to extra expense in caring for the sick or burial of the dead (of sojourning Masons) without the expectation of reimbursement from the Lodges at home?

California. It is the custom of our Lodges to go to *any necessary* expense in caring for the sick or in the burial of the dead (sojourning Masons), if known or believed to be in good standing; and it is expected that their Lodges should pay such expense if able so to do.

Second. Is it the custom of your Lodges to report (if possible) a case of sickness or death of a stranger, asking instructions as to expense to be incurred?

California. I do not know that it is. In most cases the expense of sickness or burial must be incurred at once, leaving no time for inquiry.

Third. If no reimbursement is asked or expected by your Lodges, do they expect to pay such bills when presented by other jurisdictions, for your absent members?

California. Reimbursement is expected by our Lodges, but it often happens that the expectation is futile. I have never heard of a case where such a claim upon a Lodge in this jurisdiction has not been honored.

Fourth. Has your Grand Lodge any regulation on this subject? And if so, please give the points briefly.

California. It has no regulation upon the subject, so far as I have any recollection. How can it regulate matters concerning other Grand Lodges?

Fifth. Does the same usage which governs your Lodges in this matter as between them and those in sister jurisdictions, govern as between each other in your own jurisdiction?

California. Answer same as to No. 4.

Sixth. If your Grand Lodge has no definite law upon the subject, and your subordinate Lodges are left to their own volition in the matter, thereby sometimes causing unpleasant feelings between them, do you not think some general understanding should be arrived at? And if so, please suggest a resolution that would cover the case.

California. I do think that some general understanding upon this subject among the Grand Lodges would be useful, and I know no one better qualified, or more likely to be successful, than yourself, for the introduction of such a proposition.

Finally, in relation to this whole subject, the following questions were asked and answered by the Grand Lodge:—

1. Is it the duty of a constituent Lodge under this jurisdiction, in the event of a member thereof requiring and receiving pecuniary assistance at the hands of a Lodge in a sister jurisdiction, to reimburse the Lodge so rendering assistance the amount thus advanced?

2. Is it the duty of a constituent Lodge in this jurisdiction to reimburse a Lodge of this or a sister jurisdiction for the expenses incurred in the care and burial of sojourning Masons, members in good standing of such other Lodge?

The committee reported:—

1. It is, so far as his actual necessities may require.

2. It is, if the deceased brother was in indigent circumstances.

The "Orphans School Fund" amounts to \$8335 85, all of which is invested and drawing ten per cent. interest.

The committee, appointed at the previous Annual Communication, on the question of "colored" or "African" Lodges, submitted an elaborate report, reviewing the whole matter historically and recommending the adoption of the following resolutions, in which the Grand Lodge concurred:—

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge does not recognize the so-called African or colored Masonic organizations, or membership, as existing in this State or the United States of America.

Resolved, That, regarding initiation, each subordinate Lodge in this jurisdiction must be governed by the landmarks of the fraternity and the regulations of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

Resolved, That, regarding admission to membership, subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction cannot elect a brother who does not last hail from a Lodge chartered by a Grand Lodge recognized by the Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

The Grand Orator, Bro. MARK W. WILCOX, delivered an able and eloquent address, which is published in the proceedings. We would like to quote liberally therefrom, but are already exceeding our allotted space.

A Special Communication was held in Omaha, on the nineteenth day of June, for the purpose of dedicating the new Masonic Hall. The Grand Master delivered an address, and was followed by Past Grand Master ROBERT C. JORDAN, one of the pioneers of Masonry in Nebraska. His address, mainly a historical one, must have been of special interest to the fraternity who listened.

There are fifty-eight chartered Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of two thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine.

The *M. W.* GEORGE W. LININGER was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* WILLIAM R. BOWEN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The proceedings of the twenty-first Annual Communication have also come to hand. It was held in the city of Omaha on the eighteenth day of June, 1878,—the *M. W.* GEORGE W. LININGER, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* WILLIAM R. BOWEN being Grand Secretary. Fifty-seven Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is well written and very plain-spoken—indeed, so plain, that not only did it provoke much discussion in the Grand Lodge, but also two separate motions to omit part thereof from the printed proceedings; but they were unsuccessful. It is not stated what portions were objected to, but we take the liberty of “guessing” that they were the following paragraphs:—

We regret that we, individually and collectively, as Masons, are not doing all in our power to aid and assist each other in every laudable undertaking. We regret that “we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and have done those things which we ought not to have done;” that we have not been as charitable in every instance as we should have been; that the destitute widow and helpless orphan have not received due attention and assistance at our hands.

We regret that so many Masons belong to other secret societies, not but what the objects of these societies are good and praiseworthy, but because we believe that a conscientious man who is a Freemason, risks something when he joins another secret society. How can he assume new duties until he knows they will not conflict with those he has already obligated himself to perform? And again, many innovations of the fundamental laws of Masonry are introduced by these liberal minded men who hold membership in various societies. They are not safeguards for the ancient landmarks of the Order.

We regret that our Lodges are not properly tiled; too many *secrets* get outside of the Lodge room.

We regret that members of our beloved institution are known to indulge in the use of intoxicating drinks, profanity, gambling, quarreling, backbiting, cheating, and defrauding—vices which deprave and brutalize a man.

We regret that many of our members, who are actuated by the true spirit of our society and who practice its teachings, are withholding their presence and support because of the evils we speak of.

We regret that Lodges are slow to notice and bring to discipline those who thus offend.

Your Grand Master regrets that the necessity of the case compels him to call your attention to these facts, and he appeals to you, in the name of Masonry, to assist in correcting the evils which threaten to undermine and bring dishonor and reproach upon the fraternity,—a society that teaches in the strongest manner possible the virtues of temperance, fortitude, prudence, and justice, and the tenets of brotherly love, relief, and truth. Faith, hope, and charity should lead in every good work and set an example that others may follow.

He had granted dispensations for the formation of four new Lodges. One of his decisions was that a brother could not be required to give his reasons for objecting

to the "initiation, passing, or raising" of a candidate. Right as to the first, but wrong as to the other two, in our humble estimation. But we will not re-argue this question.

Another decision was that *seven* members of a Lodge constituted a quorum for the transaction of business. The Committee on Jurisprudence did not assent to this, and on its recommendation, the Grand Lodge decided that "a Master Mason's Lodge consisted of the Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, Secretary, Treasurer, Senior and Junior Deacons, and Tyler." Eight members of the Lodge in all, and no less, could transact business and confer the degrees. He had visited the Grand Lodge of Illinois and received the Grand Honors and other Masonic attentions, for which he returned thanks.

The Grand Secretary submitted his Annual Report of the work of the jurisdiction. As chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, he had prepared a partial report, and would complete it if the Grand Lodge desired; but for financial reasons, he recommended that the review be not published. The Grand Lodge concurred, much to our regret.

The committee, appointed to consider the subject of the recent action of the Grand Orient of France, reported in favor of endorsing these resolutions adopted by the Grand Lodge of England in February, 1878; and the Grand Lodge concurred:--

1st Resolution.—That this Grand Lodge views with profound regret the step taken by the Grand Orient of France in thus removing from its Constitution those paragraphs which assert a belief in the existence of T. G. A. O. T. U., because such an alteration is opposed to the traditions, practice, and feelings of all "true and genuine" Masons from the earliest to the present time.

2d Resolution.—That this Grand Lodge, whilst always anxious to receive in the most fraternal spirit the brethren of any Foreign Grand Lodge whose proceedings are conducted according to the Ancient Landmarks of the Order, of which a belief in T. G. A. O. T. U. is the first and most important, cannot recognize as "true and genuine" brethren any who have been initiated in Lodges which either deny or ignore that belief.

3d Resolution.—That in view of the foregoing resolutions, the Worshipful Masters of all Lodges holding under the Grand Lodge of England, be directed not to admit any foreign brother as a visitor, unless—

1st. He is duly vouched for, or unless his certificate shows that he has been initiated according to the ancient rites and ceremonies, in a Lodge professing belief in T. G. A. O. T. U.

2d. Nor unless he himself shall acknowledge that this belief is an essential landmark of the Order.

4th Resolution.—That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be transmitted to the Grand Lodges of Scotland and Ireland, to each Grand Lodge with which this Grand Lodge is in communication, and to the Worshipful Masters of all Lodges holding under the Grand Lodge of England; and that it be an instruction to the Worshipful Master of each Lodge to read these resolutions at the first meeting of his Lodge after the reception thereof, and to direct that they shall be entered upon the minutes.

The Grand Lodge of New Mexico was fraternally recognized, but action was deferred relative to "New South Wales" and "Colon."

Past Grand Master THUMMEL, for his faithful and gratuitous services, was thanked by the Grand Lodge, and an apron was presented to him as a memento of its gratitude.

An elaborate oration was delivered by Bro. LEONARD W. COLBY, and published in the proceedings. We make no apology for several liberal quotations therefrom. They convey items of information to us, and we doubt not that they will to many of our readers. The orator explores the dark ages of the past, and gives data relative to the Egyptian, Eleusinian, and Odinic mysteries. We give the substance of what he says relative to their respective ceremonies of initiation, from which every Mason can see how ridiculous is the belief of many that our rites were derived therefrom or have any connection therewith. First, as to the Egyptian:—

The character of this ancient order, as it has been partially preserved in its initiatory rites and ceremonies, is a subject full of interest and instruction to the scholars of our Craft. The initiatory rite was a mystic drama, representing the progress of man from barbarism to civilization, and his conflicts, through darkness and toil,

to light and perfection. The ancient historian, PLUTARCH, describes the candidate as a seeker of light and purity. At first he wanders in winding ways, with his mind filled with uncertainty, perplexity, and doubt. Painfully and with great labor he advances over rugged mountains and yawning chasms, plunged from time to time in profound darkness. Again he sees everything under aspects the most terrible and awful. Next he is a suppliant in the presence of the divine Osiris, who holds in his hands the emblems of Justice and Benevolence. A miraculous light blazes upon him. He is closely questioned, all the acts of his life severely scrutinized, and, if worthy, he is allowed to pass to higher mysteries. Forward he moves, guided by an initiate disguised as a dog, through mysterious labyrinths, till he comes to a stream of water, where he is stopped by three terrible beings, who present him with liquid from the dark stream which he must soon cross, and bid him drink, addressing him in these words:—

“Aspirant to the honor of a divine companionship, seeker after celestial truth, this is the water of forgetfulness! Drink to the oblivion of all your imperfections, and thus be prepared for the reception of the new revelations of virtue, truth, and goodness with which you are soon to be honored.”

The trembling neophyte drinks; the dark river is passed; the spectacles of terror disappear; a divine light breaks on his vision; new scenes appear, and smiling fields, flower-decked meadows, and enchanting visions of beauty, laden with the richest perfumes of “Araby the Blest,” environ him. Sacred songs and choruses of triumph, joy, and love charm his ears. The sublime doctrines of sacred science, art, and religion are given him, and visions of holiness and profound beauty delight his wondering eyes. He is baptized into a new life, and instructed in a divine science. He is now free and perfect. He is crowned and triumphant, and goes henceforth to commune with those pure spirits to whose companionship he has just been raised.

But the Greek or Eleusinian mysteries appear to have far exceeded these, if we may judge from the following:—

The candidate was first prepared for the solemn rite by days of abstinence, fasting, penitence, and prayer. He was then received into the Sacred Temple, into the Province of the Hierophant, the Torch Bearer, the Sacred Herald, the Priest, and Archer. The Hierophant sat upon a throne brilliant with gold and precious stones, as the representative of the Creator. A robe of regal splendor graced his shoulders. From his neck suspended a golden globe, the symbol of absolute power. On either hand were twenty-four attendants, in snowy robes and crowns of gold. Seven torches, reflected and multiplied by a thousand mirrors, dazzled the candidate. And over all arched a rainbow, in whose mystic circle were seen the moon and seven stars. After being blindfolded, the neophyte makes a long and painful pilgrimage. He is led through dark and winding passages, up rough, sharp, and ragged ledges, where jagged rocks tear his feet and limbs; through dense forests and miasmatic valleys, where he hears the fierce roar and snarling of savage beasts and the hissing of serpents, and feels the clammy touch of bats and reptiles. The bandage is now taken from his eyes, and he finds himself in a wild and strange region, whose gloom the sun has never penetrated, whose horrors are seen only by pale spectral lights. Fierce tigers and hyenas, and poisonous reptiles are on every hand. Thunder and lightning, sulphurous fumes, fire and water, earthquake and tempest, threaten his immediate destruction. Trembling with terror, he sees before him a huge iron door, on which is emblazoned these words:—

“He who would attain to the highest and most perfect state, and rise to the sphere of absolute bliss, must be purified by fire and air and water.”

The massive door swings on its hinges, and he is suddenly plunged into a vast gloomy space which resounds with horrible groans and shrieks, loud wails of sorrow, and penetrating cries of pain and anguish. On his right hand open the terrible gates to grim and dread Tartarus, a fathomless gulf of fire, in which, passing and repassing, are seen the spirits of those who were false to truth, and life, and virtue, pursued by avenging furies, with all the appalling incidents to the ancient doctrines of purification by fire. Behind him yawned the dark and dismal region of purgatorial air, where burning winds carried wails of suffering and woe to his ears, and where the mighty wheel of expiation rolled its endless circuit with ceaseless regularity. On the left hand appeared the gloomy lake of Purification, half concealed by mists and showers, into whose murky, sulphurous waters were plunged the spirits of those less guilty than their fellows.

After these and other awful visions of the great truths of religion and the eternal principles of retribution, the candidate is led to another iron door, and thus addressed, in a deep and solemn voice, by his guide:—

“Consider the Divine Nature, the Supreme One. Contemplate Him without ceasing; rule thy spirit and purify thy heart; and, walking in the way of justice and the safe path of truth, admire Him who is alone the Master of the world. He is one. He is self-existent. To Him all beings are indebted for life.”

A voice of hope is heard from within. The massive iron door slowly opens, and the toil-begrimed, terror-dazed neophyte passes from the regions of horror, gloom, and punishment to the circle of light where beauty shines, truth abides, and virtue reigns triumphant. All is now fair and good. Life is shown in its sublimest ideals. Virtue enjoys its full reward. The suffering and sorrow of this world end in Elysian bliss and the perfection of beauty.

"Odinic" Masonry, as the Orator calls it, prevailed in the north of Europe. Its ceremonies of initiation were as follows:—

The neophyte personated a pilgrim who is weary with travel and desires rest. Having wandered far and wide, he finally arrives at Asgard, the City of God, whose many mansions, with roofs covered with golden shields, have greeted the longing eyes of the wanderer for many leagues distant. The guard leads him into a lofty palace, whose huge doors close behind him with the noise of thunder. He is taken from room to room, through varying scenes of life, till he comes to three thrones, raised one above the other, on which are seated The High, the Equal to The High, and The Highest.

The pilgrim is in search of light and knowledge of the Supreme One, and the following questions and reponses ensue:—

Pilgrim—"Tell me, O Lofty One! who is the first of the gods? Where does He dwell? What is His power? And what has He done to display His glory?"

The High—"He liveth from all ages; He governeth all realms, and swayeth all things, great and small."

Equally High—"He hath formed heaven, and earth, and air, and all things."

The Highest—"And what is more, He hath made man, and given him a soul which will live and never die, though the body shall have mouldered away or have turned to ashes."

Pilgrim—"What was the beginning of things?"

The High—(In the words of the Edda)

"'Twas Time's first dawn, when naught yet was,
Nor sand nor sea, nor cooling wave;
Earth was not there, nor heaven above;
Naught save a void and yawning gulf;
But verdure none."

Pilgrim—"What is the end?"

The High—"There will be a new heaven; and there will arise out of the sea a new earth, most lovely and verdant, with pleasant fields where grain shall grow unown. A dwelling place shall be there more radiant than the sun. There the sons of earth shall dwell together in peace and concord. Evil shall disappear from the empire of Odin, and happiness and virtue shall be universal and perpetual."

The novitiate is then instructed by the *Three* in the science of life, and is given the whole cosmogony of that ancient people who deified the forces of nature and converted natural science into theology. The creation of the heavens and the earth, of gods and men, is explained. He is taught the mysteries of life and the world. They discourse to him of the sun, moon, and stars, of day and night, and the seasons; of the Destinies, of the Golden Age, of the way to heaven, of the Twilight of the Gods, and of the final conflagration of the universe, of the great Ygdrasil—the ash tree of life and death—of the Giant Ymer, whose flesh made the earth, whose bones are the rocks, whose blood is the pulsing ocean, and whose skull is the great blue vault of heaven.

The initiatory rite closed with a sublime representation of the world and humanity in its perfected or ideal state, where purity, love and peace shall reign eternal.

There is much more in this interesting address that we would like to quote, but must forbear. There are sixty-one Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of three thousand one hundred and seventeen.

The *M. W.* EDWARD K. VALENTINE was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* WILLIAM R. BOWEN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NEVADA.

The thirteenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nevada was held in the city of Virginia, on the twentieth day of June, 1877,—the *M. W.* GEORGE ROBINSON, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* SAMUEL W. CHUBBUCK being Grand Secretary. Seventeen Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is very brief. The time of the Annual Communication had been changed from November to June, which, in the opinion of the Grand Master was judicious; but, as only half a year had thus far elapsed, but little work had

come before him for inspection and notice. Notwithstanding the depression in business, he was happy to say that the Lodges were flourishing in a material sense, and general peace, harmony, and accord had prevailed. He had no especial recommendations to make to the Grand Lodge. "Politically," he "thought the world was governed too much, and it was quite probable that Grand Lodges were prone to legislate too much."

It having been stated to the Grand Lodge that Past Grand Master ROBERT W. BOLLEN was very ill, a resolution of sympathy was adopted. The Grand Representatives from other jurisdictions were personally presented on the afternoon of the first day, and speeches of welcome and response were then the order.

The great fire in Virginia City had interfered materially with the finances of the Grand Lodge. A loan of \$2130, to a firm in that city, was as yet uncollected, on account of the losses then incurred. It is to be hoped that future luck will be better.

A resolution having been referred to a committee, having for its object less expense and display in the burial of deceased brothers from abroad, that committee reported as follows, which is perhaps the best that could be done :—

Your special committee, to whom was referred the resolution of Bro. GASTON, limiting expenditures in the burial of a deceased brother who dies outside the jurisdiction of his Lodge but within the confines of our own State, have had the same under consideration and respectfully report that, notwithstanding we are too well aware of the fact that oft-times extravagance, and even recklessness, characterizes the interment of our deceased brethren, thereby presenting an ostentatious display which we deem ill suited to our benevolent "Art," nevertheless we fail to see the propriety of attempting to legislate in this direction, believing that more of evil than of good results would accrue thereby; and hence it is better to trust to the judgment of those charged with the solemn duty, rather than hedge them about with arbitrary instructions or statutory laws.

Our excellent brother of the reportorial corps, Bro. ROBERT H. TAYLOR, who has done so much by his able pen to make Nevada Masonry widely and favorably known, was deservedly complimented by the passage of this preamble and resolution by an unanimous vote :—

WHEREAS, By his eminent and laborious services rendered to the Craft in his capacity as chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence of this Grand Lodge, our very excellent Bro. R. H. TAYLOR has reflected credit upon this Grand Body and honor upon the Masonic Fraternity of this State; therefore

Resolved, That, in consideration of his valuable services to the Craft, the Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge is hereby authorized and directed to issue to our very excellent Bro. ROBERT H. TAYLOR a certificate of life membership, certifying his good standing in the fraternity for life, so far as his Masonic standing as a Master Mason is affected by his being or not being a contributing member of some constituent Lodge may be concerned, and otherwise; but without fee, in accordance with the fourteenth section of the General Regulations of the Grand Lodge of Nevada.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is again from the brilliant pen of Bro. TAYLOR, and is fully up to its able and interesting predecessors. Higher praise we could hardly give. California, for 1875 and 1876, receives liberal and kindly notice. He coincides with Grand Master PERKINS in reference to refusing admission to Lodges of objectionable brethren, and adds these comments :—

He decided that he knew of no law that would prevent a Lodge from passing a resolution refusing admission to any Master Mason in good standing, not a member of the Lodge, but that he very much questioned the propriety of its doing so, "as the Master of a Lodge is the proper person, when objections are made to the admission of a visiting brother, to decide thereupon." We do not think that there is any law forbidding the passage of such a resolution; we agree with the Grand Master as to the impropriety of its being done, but for a different reason than the one he assigns. We think that the objection of any member present in his Lodge to the admission of a visiting brother should be respected, and the visitor excluded; hence, that such a resolution is not only unnecessary, but that if it were put to vote and *lost*, still the visitor should not be admitted, against the objection of any one member. And we therefore believe that the Master has no right to *judge* or *decide* upon the validity of the objection, but should simply *act* upon it, by refusing admission to the brother proposing to visit.

He compliments Bro. JANUARY upon his correspondence report of that year, but disagrees with him in the opinion that a Lodge is bound to reimburse another Lodge for expenses incurred in the case of one of its members. He thinks that the moment a Lodge demands reimbursement, it declares that the relief afforded was not Masonic charity. That is one view to take of the matter, but we confess a leaning to Bro. JANUARY's views that the Lodge benefited should "foot the bill."

Bro. BROWNE's Address, in 1876, is characterized as sound and sensible. He is also complimentary to our own report for that year, but gently raps our knuckles because we used the word "Order," as applied to Freemasonry. It was a *lapsus penne*, Bro. TAYLOR, which we try hard to avoid. We concur in your criticism.

There are nineteen Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of fifteen hundred and fifteen.

The *M. W.* MERRILL P. FREEMAN was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* SAMUEL W. CHUBBUCK was re-elected Grand Secretary.

We have also received the proceedings of the Fourteenth Annual Communication, held in the city of Virginia, on the eleventh day of June, 1878,—the *M. W.* MERRILL P. FREEMAN, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* SAMUEL W. CHUBBUCK being Grand Secretary. Twenty Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master FREEMAN is brief, but well written and plain spoken. He condemns in strong, but just language, the recent action of the Grand Orient of France. A Past Deputy Grand Master, JOHN S. VAN DYKE, had died during the year. One new Lodge had been instituted. Several of his decisions are published, but we find nothing in them calling for special notice.

He complained of the late period when the transactions of 1877 appeared, they not being out until April, when the Communication was held in June. He more than hints that the lion's share of the blame rests upon the shoulders of Bro. TAYLOR chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, who kept the press waiting for his report. For shame, Bro. T.; get up earlier in the morning, and whatever "thine hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." So will thine own health be promoted, and the next Grand Master be spared the pains of grumbling at thy remissness.

The Grand Master is inclined to be "sarkastical," as witness this sly dab at the non-affiliates:—

I am pleased to inform you, as you are probably gratified to learn, that I have no suggestions to make as to non-affiliates, unless, possibly, you adopt the same course with them that the Grand Orient of France does with the name of God.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence reported against the right of *pro tem.* appointed Grand Officers to vote, unless otherwise qualified, and the Grand Lodge concurred. We believe no such question has ever been raised in our Grand Lodge, and they never vote.

The Grand Representatives from thirteen Grand Jurisdictions were formally presented, received with the Private Grand Honors, and welcomed by an address from Bro. TRENMOR COFFIN. In answer, Bro. ROBERT H. TAYLOR, who represents four of these bodies, "orated" as follows:—

On behalf of my brother Representatives and myself, and in the names of the Grand Lodges which we severally represent, I have the honor to thank you for the kind and fraternal reception you have given us. I know I am safe in saying that the fact and manner of our reception have afforded to each and all of us the most profound gratification. Some Masonic writers have, of late, inveighed against the representative system as at present practiced, on the ground that inasmuch as the Representatives are charged with no specific duties, and are clothed with no especial powers, their appointment is, at best, an idle ceremony, and their presence useless. The brother whom you have appointed to welcome us has a different idea. I am impressed with a different idea. The manifest and the expressed wish of the bodies whom we represent, to be brought into closer relations of amity and fraternal friendship with this Grand Lodge, is, of itself, worth something. On each side, it lifts us

out of the atmosphere of self ; if it does not enlarge the sphere of our brotherly affection, it at least intensifies that affection ; it bids us wait to each other messages of Love, borne upon the wings of Truth ; it serves to strengthen the bonds which, as with a triple cord, bind Masons together in a strong, great, and harmonious fraternity. It serves, or ought to serve, to enforce the contemplation of the vastness and universality of our Institution, which, though hoary with age, is yet instinct with the vigor of youth.

While engaged in compiling the Report on Correspondence, for presentation at this Grand Communication, I made memoranda of the membership in the Grand Jurisdictions from which Representatives are accredited to this Grand Lodge, and I find that, in number, less than one-third of the American Grand Lodges are represented here ; but the membership of those so represented aggregates over *two hundred and ninety thousand*. So that, in effect, we bring with us, and offer here to-day at your altar, the prayers of more than two hundred and ninety thousand Masons for the welfare of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of the State of Nevada. Truly, in the effulgence of this glory, one does not feel like being a *diplomat*, laden with *instructions*.

One thing more I desire to say. While the Grand Orient of France has stricken from its Constitutions the clause recognizing the express necessity of a Mason's belief in God and a future life, permits atheists to affiliate with it, and has thus placed itself without the pale of Freemasonry, I thank God that the Grand Bodies we here represent—that all the North American Grand Lodges, (under which appellation I of course include those of the British Provinces,)—that the old and venerated mother Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland—and that all Masons owing obedience to all these Grand Lodges—still have “Faith in God and Hope in Immortality,” as well as “Charity to all mankind.”

The dues from constituent Lodges to the Grand Lodge were reduced from two dollars to one dollar for each member, by an unanimous vote of the Grand Lodge. The Grand Orator being absent, Bro. TAYLOR was appointed as substitute, and gave the Grand Lodge a good and wholesome talk.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is again from the able and versatile pen of Bro. R. H. TAYLOR. It is a careful, and in some places an amusing review of the proceedings of forty-seven Grand Lodges, California for 1877 being of the number. This, with the Digest of Decisions which Bro. TAYLOR always adds, occupies one hundred and forty-eight pages of the proceedings. He is very eulogistic of Grand Master BROWNE'S Address, and quotes freely therefrom. But oh ! imagine our indignant feelings when we read this awful paragraph :—

The Report on Correspondence, reviewing the proceedings of fifty North American Grand Lodges, is by the “old man eloquent,” our revered and reverend brother, WILLIAM H. HILL.

Old, indeed ! Out upon thee, thou scoffer ! Call us old, when we were born in January, 18—no, we won't give the date, lest Bro. T. should imitate the example of those bad boys of Jericho, and say, “Go up, thou bald head !” and there be a repetition of that she-bear tragedy—as to which, our youthful brother will please overhaul the Good Book, and, “when found, make a note of.”

Having thus hoisted us upon the “bench of the elders,” Bro. T. is pleased to be very complimentary to our report, from which he quotes much and approvingly. Thank you, good brother ; and we are almost tempted to take back the scolding aforesaid. Remember hereafter to “be lowly and reverent to your betters.” (See the catechism.)

Bro. SARGENT'S oration is characterized as a “grand production,” and Bro. TAYLOR thinks that Bro. GEORGE T. BROMLEY, “judging from his report, is eminently qualified for his office of Grand Clam Baker.” “So say we all of us.”

There are twenty Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of one thousand five hundred and eight. The M. W. HENRY L. FISH was elected Grand Master and the R. W. JOHN D. HAMMOND was elected Grand Secretary.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The tenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick was held in the city of St. John, on the twenty-sixth day of September, 1877,—the M. W.

ROBERT T. CLINCH, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. WILLIAM F. BUNTING being Grand Secretary. Eighteen Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master CLINCH opens with a feeling allusion to the dire calamity of fire which had laid three fourths of that beautiful city in ashes. Of the losses of the fraternity and the kindly contributions of sympathizing brethren elsewhere, the Grand Master thus speaks:—

On the twentieth day of June last, the scourge of fire laid in ashes three fourths of our city and we stood appalled at the greatness of the disaster which, for a time, seemed to overwhelm every hope. But the very magnitude of the calamity gave the first incentive to exertion, as from all directions were borne in upon us help for the present and encouragement for the future. Our deep distress awoke the kindest sympathy, and former rivalries were forgotten and sectional differences disappeared, as, from every part of the Dominion, from sister provinces, from the United States, and from the mother country, substantial help and cordial sympathy awoke us to effort; and the few months that have elapsed witness exertion happily made to restore our trade and rebuild our desolated homes.

In this great distress our beloved fraternity had its full share, the city Lodges having, with their place of meeting, lost all their regalia and Masonic property. Through the forethought of the Very Worshipful the Grand Secretary, the regalia of Grand Lodge was saved from destruction; but the valuable library and other property of Grand Lodge was destroyed. Among the individual sufferers, in a few hours rendered homeless and destitute, were many members of the fraternity. A General Masonic Board of Relief was immediately organized; liberal contributions were received from sister Grand Lodges and other Masonic bodies, and from sympathizing brethren, and thus we were enabled to afford some present assistance to those most in need of help. The full particulars of this organization and of the various contributions will be laid before you, and Grand Lodge will make suitable record of the generous assistance and fraternal sympathy which, in this time of our deep distress, have gladdened our hearts and enabled us to afford substantial relief to our suffering brethren.

At the suggestion of the Grand Chaplain, and by the courteous permission of the Rector of St. Paul's Church, a choral service was held therein on the festival of St. John the Evangelist, at which an address was delivered by the Grand Chaplain. The Craft, we are told, assembled in large numbers, with Masonic regalia; and the collection taken up for the benefit of the sufferers amounted to \$370.

One new Lodge had been instituted during the year. Feeling and appropriate tribute is paid to the memory of brethren deceased during the year. And this, to one in the old country, illustrious in both, and still more so in his Masonic record:—

In England the fraternity mourn the loss of an eminent brother, the late Earl of Shrewsbury, the Provincial Grand Master of Staffordshire, who died suddenly at his London residence on the eleventh of May. Deeply interested in Freemasonry, under his fostering care the local charities of the fraternity rapidly increased, while his splendid residence at Alton Towers was thrown open with liberal hospitality for brethren from many parts of the globe. Presiding at the Annual Festival of the Boys' Masonic School in 1872, the proceeds of the grand feast realized £5510 sterling for that splendid charity. In 1875, he occupied the chair at the Festival for the Asylum for Aged Masons, when £7020 sterling were collected; and in February of the present year, at the same festival, he again presided, when the sum of £12,656 was realized. We honor brethren who are eminent as Masonic writers, jurists, and who reach high position. Let us drop a kindly tear as well for the illustrious dead who, amid many pressing cares, work fervently and earnestly to advance the splendid charities of our ancient fraternity.

The Report of the Grand Secretary gives in detail the amount of loss by the Grand Lodge from the fire, and the items of property saved. The former he estimates at \$712, and the latter at \$1505. The former item, however, does not include the valuable Grand Lodge library, which was a total loss.

He makes acknowledgments to the Grand Secretaries of other jurisdictions for their prompt transmission of documents to supply, as far as possible, the hiatus. Bro. ABELL appears to have been the most liberal of all these contributors.

The Lodges in the city of St. John had received, since the fire, a handsome present of a set of officers' collar jewels of solid silver and very massive, a solid silver altar jewel, a set of rich watered silk collars, and an elegant ballot-box. They were from

Bro. JOHN STREET, jeweler, of Montreal, and Bro. HENRY M. ALEXANDER, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

Action on the application for recognition by the Grand Lodge of New Mexico and the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba was deferred until the next Annual Communication.

The amount contributed by brethren from abroad for the relief of the sufferers by the great fire in St. John, is reported as \$5048 57 in gold.

There are thirty-two Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of two thousand two hundred and thirty-six.

The Grand Master was re-elected and the Grand Secretary was re-appointed.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

We have received the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, at the Semi-Annual Communication held on the twenty-seventh day of December, 1876, and at the Annual, held on the sixth day of May, 1877. The first was in Manchester, and the last in Concord, and at both the *M. W.* JOHN J. BELL presided, as Grand Master, and the *R. W.* JOHN A. HARRIS was Grand Secretary. Fifty Lodges were represented at the Semi-Annual, and fifty-four at the Annual Communication.

The only business transacted at the first named was the exemplification of the work in the three degrees by subordinate Lodges, under the direction and observance of the Grand Lodge.

The Address of Grand Master BELL, at the Annual Communication, commences with a suitable acknowledgement to Divine Providence for the blessings of the year, and then pays a just tribute to the memory of those Past Grand Officers who had died during the year.

He had granted dispensations for two new Lodges. The District Deputy Grand Masters (same as our Inspectors) submitted elaborate reports of their work, but the items are only of local importance.

The Committee on Trials and Appeals submitted a long report on a very curious case, where a brother was charged with having cheated another brother "out of a pair of pantaloons." How the Lodge conducted the trial may be gathered from this paragraph of the report:—

The papers sent up in this case are models of neatness and elegance, and deserve high commendation; but if they state the truth, and we must assume that they do, the proceedings were conducted in defiance of all well established principles of Masonic law and usage, and as such, require plain comment.

We know that in the past, this Lodge, within its fold, has numbered some of the most intelligent Masons in the State, and we must presume that it does so still, for we question much whether there is another Blue Lodge within this jurisdiction that contains within it sufficient ability, without the severest study and the most care-taking circumspection, to get outside of a plain road, and disregard all principles which should govern a properly conducted trial, as has been done by this Lodge in this case. Those who conducted this trial must take one of two horns of a dilemma. They must stand upon the ground either that they know nothing about the provisions of the Grand Constitution in relation to trials, the decisions of this Grand Body as embodied in the reports of its committees, and the first principles of Masonic law and usage; or, that they have deliberately chosen to act in defiance of them.

The committee proceed to point out *seventeen* gross blunders committed in the trial, and recommend that the whole matter be sent back for a new trial, under the supervision of the Grand Master. We do not believe that any Lodge in California ever came within gunshot of this one of the Granite State.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. JOSEPH E. BENNETT, and is a most creditable and readable document of one hundred pages. Bro. BENNETT makes favorable mention of Grand Master BROWNE's address in 1876, and quotes liberally therefrom. Complimentary notice is also given to Bro. BONTE's oration, and the report of this writer.

There are seventy-five Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of seven thousand six hundred and forty-seven. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were

both re-elected, but, as noticed under the head of Massachusetts, the Grand Secretary has since died.

We have also received the proceedings of the Semi-Annual Communication held on the twenty-seventh day of December, 1877, and of the eighty-ninth Annual Communication held on the fifteenth day of May, 1878. The former was in the city of Manchester, and the latter in Concord. At both, the *M. W.* JOHN J. BELL was Grand Master, and the *R. W.* GEORGE P. CLEAVES Grand Secretary, *pro tem*.

At the semi-Annual Communication, the only business of importance transacted was the exemplification of the work in the three degrees, by the Lodges in Manchester and Concord. Fifty-two Lodges were represented at the Annual Communication.

Grand Master BELL delivered a short but appropriate Address. Peace had prevailed throughout the Lodges, but death had been busy. The Grand Secretary, Bro. JOHN ATHERTON HARRIS, died in September, and the Grand Master paid a feeling tribute to his memory. We copy elsewhere the report of the Grand Lodge committee upon the death of this worthy and distinguished brother. Two aged brethren had also laid down their implements of work, and had been called to refreshment above. One was Bro. LEWIS WOODMAN, born in 1797, and a Mason of over fifty years standing, and the other, Bro. JESSENAH KITTRIDGE, born in 1800, and who had been a Mason fifty-six years. Of the latter, the Grand Master says that "he left the mark of his work in the southwest corner of the State; in him, a just man and a good Mason has gone."

The Grand Master had only been able to visit fifteen of the Lodges in the jurisdiction. He had formally constituted *Bible Lodge*, at Goffstown. We hope that the brethren who chose so good a name, will ever square their Masonic actions by that unerring guide.

Elaborate reports appear from the several District Deputy Grand Masters, but we find nothing therein calling for special comment. We copy the report of the special committee on the death of the late Grand Secretary HARRIS. He was the third Grand Secretary called away during the year; the other two being Bros. DOVE of Virginia and GOULEY of Missouri:—

JOHN ATHERTON HARRIS was the son of HARRISON G. HARRIS, and nephew of the Hon. JOHN HARRIS, late an Associate Justice of the Superior Court of New Hampshire, both eminent Masons in their time. He was born at Warner, on the 8th of November, A. D. 1822. At the age of seventeen he went to Boston, where he was for some time employed as a clerk in a mercantile establishment, but subsequently engaged in trade on his own account. In the year 1850 he removed to Concord, N. H., where he continued to reside during the remainder of his life. Always attentive to business, and upright and accurate in his dealings, as well as urbane in his demeanor towards all with whom he held business relations, he enjoyed the confidence and esteem of the business community.

He was a member of the New Hampshire Historical Society, in the success and usefulness of which he took a deep interest. He devoted himself much to literary pursuits, and especially to antiquarian studies, accumulating a library of much value for the many works it contained of rare literary merit.

He was made a Mason in *Blazing Star Lodge*, on the third of June, A. D. 1857, and by dispensation was passed to the degree of Fellow Craft on the eighteenth, and raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on the nineteenth of the same month. He was Master of his Lodge in the years 1868 and 1869. In 1870 he was elected Secretary of his Lodge, and was successively re-elected to the same office during the remaining years of his life.

He was District Grand Lecturer from 1865 to 1869 inclusive, and State Grand Lecturer during the years 1871, 1872, and 1873; was Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge in 1870 and 1871, and Senior Grand Warden in 1872. In May, 1873, he was elected Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, which office he continued to hold, by successive elections, until his death.

Bro. HARRIS was a Royal Arch Mason, and for many years prior to, and at the time of his decease, held the office of Secretary of his Chapter, as well as that of Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of the State. He also held successively the offices of High Priest of his Chapter, and of Grand King, Deputy Grand High Priest, and Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, and of Vice President and Master of Ceremonies, and Secretary of the Council of High Priests.

In the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters he held successively the offices of M. P. Grand Master and Grand Recorder. He had also received the orders of Knighthood, and at his death was Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of the State. He had received the 32d degree of the Scottish Rite, and was a life member of the Massachusetts Consistory. He received the Order of the Red Cross of Constantine in New York in 1873.

By the faithful, conscientious, and able discharge of the functions of all the official positions he thus held, he commanded the confidence and esteem, in the highest degree, of the members of the Order, while by his uniform urbanity and kindness of manner he endeared himself to the hearts of his brethren.

As Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge he won the crowning honors of his Masonic life. It is to him that we are indebted for the excellent, systematic condition into which that office, with the archives of the Grand Lodge, have been brought, as well as for the valuable library, which, growing to its present extent under his care, remains a monument to the earnest faithfulness with which he devoted his later years to the interests of the Masonic Institution.

Laboring to the last in the interests of the Institution which he had espoused as his highest earthly love, he gradually descended the declivity of terrestrial life until the third of September, A. L. 5877, when he yielded up his spirit, literally with the harness on. To enter the joys of a higher and better life, he on that day peacefully and quietly bade adieu to earth and its pleasures, and to the Order which he had served so faithfully and loved so well.

It is human experience, as well as the teaching of the Holy Word, that the labors of men go not with them to the grave. Their bodies, indeed, return to the dust, but for each to assume thence a dual existence; a spiritual for the realization of the full fruition of life's labors, while they continue among men in deeds the influence of which shall never die.

While we cannot restrain, nor would withhold, the falling tear for the loss of our dearly beloved brother, let us, brethren, still rejoice that he lives—that while faith to him is lost in sight, hope has ended in fruition—that for us, though he rests from his labors, his works do follow him.

The report of the Committee on Grievances in one case presents a new point in Masonic jurisprudence, and we copy its substance. A brother had refused to plead either guilty or not guilty, but simply *nolo contendere*, and had thrown himself upon the mercy of the Lodge. The Lodge accepted the plea, and voted an indefinite suspension. The committee thus reason, and, as we think, correctly:—

Masonic jurisprudence recognizes but two pleas in Masonic trials, *guilty* and *not guilty*. The accused may plead guilty as to a part of the charges and not guilty as to the rest, or he may plead guilty and set up certain facts in justification or extenuation, but his plea must be either guilty or not guilty. Should the accused fail to plead, it becomes the duty of the Lodge to file a plea of not guilty. Our own Grand Regulations are in accordance with these principles of Masonic law. No such plea as *nolo contendere* is known in Masonry, and it would be establishing a dangerous precedent to allow such a plea to be received. When a brother is accused of crime and put upon trial, the object is to prove his guilt or innocence. If guilty, then to administer the proper punishment; if innocent, that he should be so declared. It is entirely foreign to the purposes of the Craft to inflict a punishment until the guilt of the accused is clearly established. In this case, after the counsel for the accused filed the plea signed by the accused, in which he said he neither admitted or denied the allegations, he asked the Lodge to consider the accused guilty, and the Lodge seems to have put that construction upon the plea, for they voted unanimously to suspend him from all the privileges of Masonry. The record does not show that any vote was taken upon the question of expulsion.

In this case there are two very serious objections to the proceedings, viz.: the plea of *nolo contendere*, and the omission of the Lodge to vote upon the question of expulsion. The Grand Constitution has wisely provided how the Lodge shall proceed to determine the degree of punishment to be inflicted. There are good and sufficient reasons, too apparent to need mention, why its provisions should be followed. No departure from this rule should be allowed by this Grand Lodge. In our opinion, the objection taken by the counsel for the Lodge to the plea of the accused was well grounded; it should have been set aside, and if the accused failed to plead anew, a plea of not guilty should have been filed for him, and the trial proceeded with in the regular way.

On the recent action of the Grand Orient of France, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:—

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge views with deep sorrow the late action of the Grand Orient of France, in striking from its constitution that great fundamenta

principle and landmark of Freemasonry, the belief in the existence of God as the Supreme Architect and Ruler of the Universe; and that, in vindication of what we hold to be essential to the very existence of our institution, we feel it necessary to declare, and do hereby declare, that that organization is no longer a Masonic body; and all Lodges working under this Grand Lodge, and all Masons of its jurisdiction, are hereby forbidden to hold communication with, or in any manner to recognize as Masons any person or body of men of its constituency or allegiance.

And so do the American Grand Lodges, one after another, wheel into line on this important matter.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. ALBERT S. WAIT, and is a concise and well written review of the proceedings of the other Grand Lodges. California for 1877 receives kindly notice. There are seventy-three Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of seven thousand six hundred and eighty-eight.

The M. W. SOLON A. CARTER was elected Grand Master and the R. W. GEORGE P. CLEAVES was elected Grand Secretary.

NEW JERSEY.

The ninety-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey was held in the city of Trenton on the sixteenth day of January, 1878,—the M. W. MARSHALL B. SMITH, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JOSEPH H. HOUGH being Grand Secretary. One hundred and thirty-seven Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master's Address was a well written and able document. He first pays an eloquent tribute to the memory of several prominent Craftsmen called away by death during the year. One of them, Bro. HALEY FISK, had attained the ripe age of eighty-seven years, of which he had been a Mason for sixty-four years. Of his mechanical work in former years, it is stated by the Grand Master that "he constructed the first power lathe ever made in New Jersey, and assisted ROBERT FULTON in building the famous pioneer steamboat Clermont."

He had granted a dispensation for one new Lodge. In reference to the numerous applications made for other dispensations, the Grand Master pithily suggests this advice for the digestion of the fraternity and profanes:—

The usual number of requests have been made during the year for dispensations for various purposes. The brethren will bear with me, and my honored predecessors who surround me will not accuse me of lowering their office, when I fraternally suggest that a dispensation from the Grand Master is not necessarily a sovereign panacea for all the ills that Masonic flesh is heir to. I have invariably refused requests for dispensations to make Masons of persons who are crippled or have marked physical defects. The Masonic Institution is not a hospital for the reception of persons, however excellent their character, who are not "hale and sound at the time of making," and I know of no authority, not even that of a Grand Lodge, which should induce any Grand Master to violate one of the most ancient and most settled of all our landmarks.

Lodges of Instruction had not been as well attended as he could have wished. Some of the Lodges were unwilling to receive the work authorized by the Grand Lodge, and, in the opinion of the Grand Master, deserved a reprimand; but, by a majority vote, the Grand Lodge abolished the office of Grand Lecturer, thus getting rid of their unwelcome monitor.

In submitting some twenty odd of his official decisions, (of local interest only) he adds these words, which might be heeded with profit in some jurisdictions not a thousand miles from the Pacific Coast:—

In submitting these decisions, which have been based on a careful study of the ancient constitutions and the laws and rulings of this Grand Lodge, I cannot withhold the expression of an opinion which I think is held in common by all who have filled the office of Grand Master, viz.: That the Worshipful Masters of Lodges are under no less obligation to familiarize themselves with the law than with the ritual of the jurisdiction. Indecision on the one hand, or arbitrary administration on the other, arising from ignorance of Masonic law, are no less fatal to the success of a Worshipful Master than is a lack of acquaintance with our ritual. The ancient rule, that the Master must be respected and obeyed by the Lodge, and that from his decision there

is no appeal except to the Grand Master or Grand Lodge, renders it all the more necessary that the brother who holds the gavel in the Lodge should be well acquainted with *Masonic methods* of government, and with some of the well-defined distinctions between Masonic and parliamentary governmental usages. In this way the number of annual decisions might be greatly reduced, much difficulty be avoided, and harmony and due subordination be maintained.

We copy, with hearty approval, two or three of the closing paragraphs of this excellent Address :—

I bid you welcome to our Annual Communication. There are many old and familiar faces ; there are many who come for the first time to fill the ranks as the roll-call tells of the brave and true who have fallen.

We are here not only for legislative purposes, but to guard the trust left to us by the Masonic fathers. That trust is a system animated by the spirit of universal benevolence, unmarred by the strife of sect or party ; its watchword is human brotherhood ; its mission, peace and love. While claiming no divine origin, it builds up the foundation truth that the "Lord reigneth ;" atheism and unbelief are therefore alien to its system. The book of the law of God—the Holy Bible—is set forth as its only rule of faith and practice, and is lifted up as a beacon light for humanity. No other "book of the law" could have any other signification in Masonry, for all the teaching, symbolism and lectures of the degrees of ancient Craft Masonry are drawn directly from Holy Scripture. That sacred Word of God is reverently opened upon our altars as a silent witness to the unseen presence of Deity. It is borne forth in ceremonial procession, that the world may know that the "light" by which true Masons work is from the throne of Him who is "God over all, blessed forever."

The gospel of charity proclaimed at Jerusalem, and on Moriah's summit among the everlasting hills—where hewers and burden-bearers toiled, where craftsmen wrought, and where Kings built up Jehovah's Temple—this we send forth among the nations. We have no conflict with revealed religion ; we only join in the great work of doing good. Such are our principles and such our work, so far as I understand them.

If we are but faithful to our trust and to our duty, the world may continually witness such fruits as these—the hungry fed, the naked clothed, the poor relieved, the dead reverently buried, the widow and orphan provided for, the civil ruler honored, God obeyed and worshipped. And if such be the fruitage, that day will be all the nearer in which

"Shall all men's good
Be each man's rule, and universal peace
Lie like a shaft of light across the land,
And like a lane of beams athwart the sea,
Through all the circle of the golden year."

The Grand Lodge appropriately recognized and fraternally welcomed the Grand Lodges of New Mexico and of the Island of Cuba.

One brother had been suspended for ten years by his Lodge, because, "at various times, he had taken unlawful and usurious rates of interest for money loaned or advanced, to the injury of brother Masons and the scandal and disgrace of this Order and the violation of his obligations." This is drawing the line rather tight, and so thought the Grand Lodge, which overruled and set the same aside. Such a rule would "make Rome howl" in certain quarters that we wot of.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bro. JAMES A. NORTON, and is an elaborate document, occupying nearly one hundred and fifty pages of the appendix. Bro. NORTON is a genial writer, and deserves, like Bro. CORSON, of the same jurisdiction, a high office in the "Mutual Admiration Society." He is very complimentary in general, and in particular to California. Of Grand Master BROWNE's Address, he says: "The whole is a noble and eloquent contribution to the literature of Grand Master's Addresses." In proof thereof he quotes, with appropriate comments, about seven pages.

Bro. NORTON is very complimentary to our humble effort of last year. He disagrees with us as to whether California or New Jersey law is the best in relation to the treatment of the objection of a brother to the initiation of a candidate. We hold that it is absolute: New Jersey, that it shall be investigated, and decided upon by the Lodge. Here is his reasoning on this subject, which we give for the benefit of our readers :—

Having one of the weaknesses of Midshipman Easy, we propose to briefly "argue this point" with Brother HILL.

Assuming that, in consequence of enforced absence from his Lodge, through sickness or otherwise, the objector has not been able previously to make his objection known, which is giving him the benefit of every doubt, the utmost that can be asked a Lodge, in deference to such a brother's "right," is to appoint a committee to inquire into the nature of the objection. That the objecting brother was not able to participate in the ballot is no fault of the Lodge, and his loss of the opportunity to exercise the "one man power" is made good by the appointment of the aforesaid committee; it was, that is, if his objection was of a character such as would satisfy a majority of his brethren. We are not to assume that the majority of any Lodge would vote to initiate a candidate against whom valid objections had been brought. The committee examines into the objection and reports on it to the Lodge, and the latter, by a majority vote, decides. But decides what? This: that the objection is not such as should prevent the candidate's initiation. Well, now, what "right" has the objector lost? We answer, he has lost no right at all; but, by his absence from his Lodge, he has lost the opportunity to black-ball that candidate on grounds which, having been examined into, are proved, to the minds of a majority of his brethren, to be insufficient.

Bro. BONTE is highly complimented for the able oration delivered before our Grand Lodge.

Under the head of District of Columbia, Bro. NORTON examines at length the subject of "Masonic Baptisms," severely disapproving of the same. We simply regard them with abhorrence, and as a direct reflection upon the sacred mysteries of the Christian Church. We were sorry to read that the mockery had just been gone through with in New Jersey. We know of nothing more calculated to bring our institution into contempt. It will do more injury to Freemasonry than all the BLANCHARDS in Christendom.

There are one hundred and fifty-seven Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of twelve thousand and fifty one. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

NEW MEXICO.

The pamphlet before us contains the initial proceedings and also those of the first Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico. It is the same that was submitted last year to our Jurisprudence Committee, and upon which the favorable report for recognition was made and agreed to by the Grand Lodge. We find, in addition to that report, but few items of interest calling for further notice.

The initial convention, consisting of the representatives of three Lodges, was held in Santa Fe, on the sixth day of August, 1877. Bro. SIMON B. NEWCOMB was chosen chairman, and Bro. A. Z. HUGGINS acted as Secretary.

After full consultation, a Grand Lodge was constituted, and the M. W. WILLIAM W. GRIFFIN was elected Grand Master, and the R. W. DAVID J. MILLER, Grand Secretary.

The Grand Officers were installed on the seventh, and the Grand Lodge immediately proceeded to business.

All the Lodges in the territory were requested to surrender their charters to the Grand Lodge and receive new ones from its officers.

Several hours were spent in the discussion of the work to be adopted, and after the same had been agreed upon, the degrees were conferred upon candidates elected and presented by subordinate Lodges.

Suitable jewels were ordered for the Grand Officers, when the Communication closed. There are four Lodges in connection with the Grand Lodge, with a membership of one hundred and sixty-seven.

NEW YORK.

The proceedings at the ninety-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Empire State come to us embellished with a truth-telling likeness of the veteran Grand Secretary, Bro. JAMES M. AUSTIN. Time has whitened the locks and beard of our venerable friend, but he looks as if he had work in him for a score

or more of years. The Communication was begun in the city of New York, on the fourth day of June, 1878,—the *M. W.* JOSEPH J. COUCH, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* JAMES M. AUSTIN being Grand Secretary. Six hundred and sixty-six (the Bible mystical number) Lodges were represented. The Address of Grand Master COUCH is of reasonable length, and one of the best written documents that has passed under our review. Death had been busy during the year, and a fit tribute was paid to the memory of several of the fallen. We copy one of these eulogies, on an aged but always active and zealous brother :—

R. W. EZRA S. BARNUM, died at his home in Utica, February 20th, 1878. Bro. BARNUM, at the time of his death, had reached the great age of eighty five years. For more than sixty years he had been an active Mason. To give even an outline of his Masonic life would require more time and space than the present occasion affords. In looking over the published account of his life, I am not so much impressed by the long list of official honors bestowed upon him, as by the report of his long continued and valuable service to the Lodges and brethren in his own neighborhood. Up to the very close of his life, these Lodges and brethren enjoyed the full benefit of his ripe experience and wise counsels. Let it stand as the crowning glory of his life, that, while he was widely known and greatly honored abroad, he was most beloved and venerated at home. In the Grand Lodge, Bro. BARNUM held the office of Junior Grand Warden, from 1844 to 1849, and of Senior Grand Warden, for 1849-50. Bro. BARNUM being a life member of the Grand Lodge, official notice of his death was issued by direction of *R. W.* EDMUND L. JUDSON, Deputy Grand Master, he being at the time in charge of the Craft, on account of the temporary absence of the Grand Master from the State.

The Grand Master had issued dispensations for the formation of three new Lodges during the year.

The German Grand Diet having felt aggrieved because, as was supposed, the Grand Lodge of New York had fully indorsed the position taken by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, when, in fact, no action at all had been taken, and only comments made thereon by the Committee on Correspondence, the Grand Master, in setting this matter right, thus gives his views as to what such reports should be and how regarded by the Craft, in which we most heartily concur :—

The reports of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence are considered by us as matter of information only ; that the brethren who make these reports are distinctly understood to give us, in a condensed form, the opinions and acts of Grand Lodges in correspondence with us, and also individual comments thereon as they may deem wise ; that the publication of these reports in our transactions is solely for the information of the brethren ; that, in merely accepting and publishing these reports, the Grand Lodge does not undertake to pass judgment upon their contents ; that, in fact, these reports cannot have any official or binding character, except when the Grand Lodge shall give such force and effect to the whole or any portion thereof, by special resolution or other express enactment. Fully appreciating the valuable services of our committee in collating facts and opinions from other jurisdictions, and conceding to them all that is due to the individual judgment of well-informed brethren, we at the same time readily distinguish between the running comments of a committee and the deliberate acts of the Grand Lodge. If, in their translation of our proceedings, our German brethren shall make this distinction as clear and comprehensive as it appears to us, they will be relieved of a grave misapprehension regarding our relations to themselves.

Some conflict of opinion had arisen between the jurisdictions of New York and Connecticut, growing out of the act of a Lodge of the latter appropriating material belonging to the former. The Grand Master and a committee of the Grand Lodge devote several pages to the elucidation of the matter, taking strong ground against the action of the Connecticut Lodge. The point in dispute is, that the Connecticut Lodge, in its formation, took in as charter members, two members of a New York Lodge, they not having been dimitted therefrom. The case seems clearly to be on the New York side. We hope the matter will be amicably settled.

We give the concluding paragraphs of the Address, not merely for the beauty of the language, but for the importance of the sentiments therein expressed :—

Some years ago we severed our connection with the Grand Orient of France, because of their persistent infringement of the jurisdiction of an American Grand

Lodge. The matter in issue at that time was purely governmental. Since then strange reports have reached us, from time to time, of departures from the traditions and customs of our fraternity; until finally the information comes that they now profess to practice a Masonry that ignores the existence of God. This raises the question whether such rite can truthfully be denominated Masonic. In prompt reply to this question, let us from the abundant material at hand take, for example, the familiar symbol of the burning bush, with its impressive story as related in the Old Hebrew Bible. In simplicity of faith, one interprets the record literally; another, differently constituted, sees in it a beautiful metaphor, which the imagination expands to cosmical proportions; and behold the fiery light of the morning sun fills the tree tops on the eastern hills with a flame of glory. Whether the pastoral or cosmical interpretation be adopted, the lesson is the same. In either, there is present to the imagination an impenetrable mystery, and out of that mystery, to the revelent beholder, there comes the voice of God.

Turning now from this picture of the early days, and moving without pause along the pathway of man's journey through the ages, let us mingle for a moment in the wonderful activities of the present time. With the geologist, we essay to trace the handwritting of time in the composition of the earth; we penetrate the mass and try to guess the secrets of the "Old Red Sandstone" and the Granite Rock. We turn our eyes heavenward, and, through the telescope, seek to explore the infinity of stellar space. Through the microscope we prolong the vision in an opposite direction, and strive to comprehend the universe in the molecule. With the spectroscope we analyze the molten contents of the crucible, and determine the component parts of incandescent suns and stars. We speculate upon various theories of light and heat, the correlation of physical forces, and the origin of species. Then we follow the application of science to the arts; we recall the famous boast in the fairy tale, that a girdle should be put around the earth in forty minutes; and lo! in this matter-of-fact age, the telegraph performs the feat in as many seconds.

Finally, we direct our attention to man himself. We apply all the accumulated knowledge of this remarkable age to solve the problem of his life; we mark his mental capacities; we discriminate his intellectual faculties, his social and moral sentiments, and his religious emotions; we note his marvelous achievements in the realms of mind and matter, and follow him through the entire domain of human research. But whether our attention be directed to man or his environments, we still encounter an ever-present, impenetrable mystery; and as in the olden time, so now, out of this mystery, to the devout observer, there comes the voice of God. Though the wonderful progress of the past shall be accelerated in the future, man will continue to find disclosures of God in nature, God in history, and God in humanity. Thus it appears that this symbol of the burning bush retains its sublime significance through all the changes of time, through all the vicissitudes of man's earthly experience. When, therefore, the report comes to us that certain parties profess to practice a Masonic rite in which there is no God, we unhesitatingly declare that such rite is not Masonic, and to call it so is an utter perversion of terms; for, in the full light of our symbolism, of our traditions, and of our world-wide precepts and charges, we know full well that no atheist can be made a Mason, and that no Godless Temple can be erected on the foundation of Ancient Freemasonry.

On this subject the Grand Lodge adopted the following resolutions:—

WHEREAS, It has come to the knowledge of this Grand Lodge that the Grand Orient of France has caused to be stricken from their Constitution that part of the "Ancient Landmarks" requiring a belief in the existence of a Supreme Being, which action we believe to be contrary to the spirit and teachings of Ancient Freemasonry and destroying one of its most vital principles—

Resolved, That we refuse to recognize as a Freemason any person initiated, passed, or raised in a Lodge where the existence of a Supreme Being is denied or ignored.

The Grand Secretary submitted his twenty-fifth annual report, detailing the business of his office. During his term of office he had served under fifteen Grand Masters, viz., WALWORTH, EVANS, LEWIS, SIMONS, KING, CRANE, PAIGE, HOLMES, JOHNSON, GIBSON, ANTHON, FOX, THORNE, HUSTED, and COUCH, from all of whom he had received the utmost kindness and consideration.

The Report of the Trustees of the Masonic Hall Fund shows a funded debt still due of \$744,573.09. The proposed amendment to the Constitution, imposing a tax of fifty cents on each member of the subordinate Lodges for this "Hall and Asylum Fund," was finally adopted by a vote of yeas 1378, nays 696.

A proposed amendment to pay each member of the Grand Lodge in attendance his actual traveling expenses and three dollars a day during the session, was negatived.

The Grand Master having declined a re-election, strong resolutions of approbation of his course as such officer, as well as appreciation of his merit as a man and a Mason, were adopted by the Grand Lodge.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. JOHN W. SIMONS, except that translations from German documents were made by Bro. PHILIP MERKLE, a member of the committee. Bro. SIMONS says that we gave the wrong credit last year for our extracts relative to Foreign Bodies. We regret this, and believe we have it all right in our credit in this report. He devotes a couple of pages of his able report to a review of the proceedings of California for 1877. He makes copious and approved extracts from Grand Master BROWNE's address. Surprise is expressed that our Grand Lodge should recognize the Grand Orient of Hungary, which, he says, "is not an independent body, but subject to the Supreme Council. We should think," he adds, "that there ought to be pride enough in an American Grand Lodge to prevent a treaty between it and a subordinate of any body under the sun." How is this, Bro. BELCHER?

Our own report is complimentarily spoken of, and we are informed, in answer to our inquiry, that the "official reporter," appointed in New York and paid for his services, is "to prepare such a report for the newspapers as will tell what the public may legitimately know of the doings of an Institution in which the public aforesaid appear to take a lively interest." Thanks, brother; but wouldn't such a suggestion even, give some of our old cast iron Masons a "conniption fit," whatever that may be?

Bro. BROMLEY's account of that clam-bake made Bro. SIMON's mouth water, and as he couldn't eat any of the clams, he did the next best thing,—quoted some of the salient paragraphs of Bro. BROMLEY's speech.

There are seven hundred and eighteen Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of seventy-eight thousand and fifty members.

The M. W. EDMUND L. JUDSON was elected Grand Master and the R. W. JAMES M. AUSTIN was re-elected Grand Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The ninety-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was held in the city of Raleigh on the fourth day of December, 1877,—the M. W. HORACE H. MUNSON, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. DONALD W. BAIN being Grand Secretary. One hundred and twenty-six Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is able, and one of the best we have perused. He congratulates the brethren on the fact that they "meet in a season of partially recovered prosperity, when the incubus which, resting so long on all industrial pursuits, has, in a measure, been removed; when peace and plenty crown our labors; and the song of a happy people once again fills the land."

Here is the Grand Master's view of the objects and intents of Masonry, which we could wish were "graven upon the fleshly tablets of the heart" of every brother, and made the rule and guide of his conduct:—

Our Masonry teaches a meek and quiet spirit; charity for all unenlightened brethren; a modest seeking to overcome, it may be, honest error; an exemplification in our own walk and conversation of that friendship, love, and truth, so beautifully taught in our rituals; an earnest, hearty, continued effort, without ostentation, to benefit the human race; a looking after and alleviating distress; a thoughtful care of orphan children; a diligence in our respective callings; a liberal benevolence: all these go to make up an unselfish, true, and beautiful Masonic character. Let us emulate that pattern, so conspicuous in Masonry, whose virtuous conduct, unfeigned piety, and inflexible fidelity to his trusts, made his life-work not only a blessing to those by whom he was surrounded, but a guide for us and countless generations yet to come.

He urgently recommends the re-appointment of District Deputy Grand Masters, as was the custom before the civil war. He anticipates great good from the labors and inspection of such officers. He thus speaks of the orphan asylum established by

the fraternity, and urges more liberal support thereof, deeming it one of the brightest jewels of the brotherhood:—

In the county of Granville, twelve miles from the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad, upon the suburbs of the village of Oxford, amid a beautiful grove of between three and four hundred oaks, stands the orphan asylum; built of brick, four stories high, of Romanesque style of architecture, the whole, with its spire, domes and finials, presents to the beholder a model of wisdom, strength, and beauty. Within its walls are nearly sixty rooms, divided into school, printing, sleeping, and office apartments, including a spacious chapel, capable of comfortably seating seven hundred and fifty persons, while a large and substantial building in the rear furnishes rooms for cooking and eating purposes. Upon the premises of one hundred and nine acres are bathing, washing, and stabling houses, and seven springs, nearly all in order, whence pure water, for man and beast, continually flows. A portion of the land is covered with a fine growth of young trees, a part is laid off for garden purposes, while ample pasturage for the blooded stock of cows and hogs gives promise of an abundance of milk, beef, and pork in time to come. A matron and corps of teachers, under the control and direction of our worthy superintendent, preside over the moral, physical, and intellectual growth of the orphans. From one hundred to one hundred and twenty children are here gathered together, whose happy countenances index the contentment reigning within. A visit made in June last impressed me, as I never was impressed before, with the fact that the establishment of an orphan asylum in this beautiful spot was indeed a grand achievement, worthy of the order with whom it originated. Under the guidance of its energetic superintendent, and the blessing of Almighty God, it has gone forward in the line of its duty year after year, 'till now it is firmly fastened in the affections of our people. Long may it be ere silence reigns in its halls, but with every increase of childish voices may the means for their sustenance correspondingly appear. The great heart of the people of the Old North State, from the mountains to the seaboard, is waking up to the necessity for a continuance of this great work, and if Masons do their duty, it will not, it cannot, fail.

One of the Past Grand Masters, M^r. W^m. WILLIAM G. HILL, had been called away by death, and suitable tribute was paid to his memory by the Grand Master and Grand Lodge. We copy two or three of the six and twenty decisions published:—

Illicit distilling is sufficient ground upon which to base charges against a brother, and no hesitancy should be had in acting accordingly.

Financial difficulties between Masons should, if possible, be adjusted amicably, but it is not unmasonic, when other means fail, to bring an action at law.

Two persons, one a Mason, the other a profane, having differences of a private character antecedent to the initiation of the latter, remain unreconciled, when it comes to the knowledge of the initiate that the brother proposes to use the blackball when he applies for advancement. The initiate being a man of irreproachable character and good citizen, the Lodge generally being exceedingly desirous for his advancement, ask what to do. A brother has the right to object without a question, and such objection, till removed, acts as a barrier to such advancement. Though unwise, it is not unmasonic to declare what he will do in certain cases proposed. The criminality lies in declaring the act performed; for instance, you cannot try a Mason for saying he will blackball a candidate: but if, after he is blackballed, he makes the declaration that he has done so, he violates an edict of the Grand Lodge, and is liable to prosecution.

The Grand Master strongly and justly reprobates the act of the French Grand Orient in striking from the faith of the Mason the belief in a God. On this faith, which he deems the "foundation stone" of the Masonic building, the Grand Lodge adopted this pointed and plain spoken resolution:—

Resolved, That we denounce this innovation upon one of the ancient landmarks of Masonry as a blot upon civilization, the entering wedge by which Masonry will be brought into disrepute, and ultimately be made a by-word and reproach to Christianity; that the seal of condemnation of this Grand Body should be put upon this movement in its incipency, not to explain the belief of this Grand Lodge, but that those who are to come after us shall be apprised of the unmistakable position taken upon this question, and have the benefit and support of those who have gone before them.

Three new Lodges had been established. The Report of the Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum shows that one hundred and fifty-six orphans had been cared for during the year.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence, from the pen of Bro. E. G. READE, is a novel document. It covers only a page or two of the proceedings. If

intended as a piece of satire, it will do very well; but as a Report on Correspondence it is a decided failure. The Grand Lodge adopted the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, in co-operation with the subordinate Lodges in this city, confer with the owner of this building with a view to having two or more windows made on the north side of the Lodge room.

We had always understood that the *North* was the “place of darkness;” *we* ask for “more light.” There are two hundred and thirty-seven working Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of nine thousand three hundred and eighty one.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The twelfth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia was held in the city of Halifax on the sixth day of June, 1877,—the *M. W.* JOHN WIMBURN LAURIE, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* BENJAMIN CURREN being Grand Secretary. Fifty-three Lodges were represented.

The first business transacted was the dedication of the new “Freemasons’ Hall,” the ceremonies attending which were interesting and very imposing. The Address of the Grand Master on the occasion was able and eloquent, and we clip a paragraph or two, that our readers may judge for themselves. He thus speaks of his visit to the mother country, last year, and what he saw and heard Masonically:—

It was my good fortune during the last few months, when on a visit to England for the benefit of my health, to attend two Communications of the Grand Lodge of England. A visit to my mother Grand Lodge, and, indeed, to the mother Grand Lodge of so many amongst us, and held in veneration by us all, was of exceeding interest to me. In the unforeseen absence of the Grand Master, His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, I was received with the greatest courtesy by the Pro Grand Master, the Earl of Carnarvon. As I was most anxious to see all I could of the ceremonial and work of the Grand Lodge, I was placed by Sir ALBERT WOODS, the Garter King-at-Arms and Grand Director of Ceremonies, in Grand Lodge procession, accompanying Lord SKELMERSDALE, the Deputy Grand Master; and with a Grand Lodge of over one hundred officers, proceeded to the Grand Hall, where some seven hundred members of Grand Lodge received and saluted the Pro Grand Master. The opening ceremonies closely resemble those practiced in our own Grand Lodge; after which, on my first visit, the Grand Lodge was called up by the Deputy Grand Master, who announced my presence as Grand Master of Nova Scotia, and called on the brethren to give the honors due to my position, a compliment which was paid in old English style.

I had the pleasure also to attend the Communication for the installation of officers and the Annual Masonic Festival. The utmost enthusiasm was manifested when it was announced that the Prince of Wales had been unanimously re-elected Grand Master, and that the Grand Wardens’ chairs were to be filled by their Royal Highnesses the Duke of Connaught and Prince LEOPOLD. In the long and eventful history of Freemasonry in England it has never previously happened that three Princes of the blood Royal have occupied the three principal seats in Grand Lodge; and both the English nation and English Freemasonry, which has struck so deep in English social life that it may also be considered as co-existent with the nation, may be congratulated; the nation on having Princes worthy of such distinguished positions in the Brotherhood, and the Craft, on standing so high as to make even Royal Princes proud to hold Grand Lodge offices. Whilst, for many reasons, we could not help regretting that the Princes were not present to be installed, still the fact that our future King and his soldier brother were absent on duty could not but be a source of gratification to every thinking mind, as showing that the responsibilities of their high station were fully recognized, and that their best energies are entirely at the service of the nation that justly honors them.

In Lord Carnarvon Masonry has an enthusiastic brother, and the Prince of Wales a staunch coadjutor. One of the ablest of an able government, with the administration of the Colonial Empire of Great Britain on his hands, Lord Carnarvon still finds time to take a warm interest in Freemasonry, and to put its principles into practice. Lord Skelmersdale, the Deputy Grand Master, is not merely a man who makes his mark in Freemasonry, but his voice is heard in the House of Lords, and amongst able and brilliant men he stands high. Outside of legislation he takes an active part in public affairs, and as Chairman of the Royal Agricultural Society, he stands at the head of another important interest.

The Earl of Donoughmore, the late Junior Grand Warden, is another example of men of whom the old country may well be proud; young and wealthy, and with

everything around him to enable him to enjoy life, he recognizes that he owes a duty to the land in which he holds such a position, and, as private secretary to Lord Carnarvon, he is already doing the State service, and qualifying himself for a more extended sphere of usefulness.

It was no idle boast of Lord Nelson's, that "England expects every man to do his duty," and it is because the sense of duty performed is the sweetest reward for which men in high station in our mother country look, that her position is so high among the nations. May she long have at the head of affairs men to whom patriotism, and not a love of office and salary, is the guiding star; and as in matters political, so also in Masonry, such men cannot fail to be true Masons, and their example of self-denial and earnest work will be felt for good throughout the Craft.

We have also a full description of the venerable Bible carried on the occasion. It was presented by King GEORGE III to the Right Rev. Bishop INGLIS, the first Bishop of Nova Scotia, for his loyalty to the king, while rector of Trinity Church, New York, during the Revolutionary war. Dr. INGLIS had received warning that if he prayed for the king on a certain Sunday, he would be shot down in the very act. But the stern old Tory never flinched, and prayed for the king until the close of the war, when he with his family emigrated to Nova Scotia. The Bible, preserved by one of his descendants, was formally presented to the Grand Lodge and accepted with thanks. The papers of Halifax were filled with accounts of the procession and dedicatory services of the day. The members wore "black suits, silk hats, white ties and gloves, and bouquets."

When the Grand Lodge resumed its regular business, the Grand Master delivered his Annual Address, which was very brief. Owing to sickness and absence from the jurisdiction, most of the Masonic work of the year had devolved upon the Deputy Grand Master. No new Lodges had been instituted.

The new "Freemasons' Hall" had cost during the year \$24,396 92, all which had been contributed by the Lodges and individual brethren.

Elaborate reports were submitted by the District Deputy Grand Masters, but the items are of local interest only. Upon application, the Principal of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, with his pupils, was permitted to visit the Lodge room during recess.

A memorial page was ordered in the proceedings in commemoration of Bro. GEORGE FRANK GOULEY, late Grand Secretary of Missouri. Resolutions were adopted looking to the amalgamation of Lodges.

The "lady friends of the Masons" in Halifax were complimented by a resolution of the Grand Lodge for their zeal manifested in a "fancy sale, in order that the Grand Lodge room should be suitably furnished."

The following preamble and resolution were fully discussed and strongly advocated, but final action thereon was deferred:—

Whereas, This Grand Lodge recognizes the fact that intemperance is a very great and growing evil, and, *whereas*, temperance is one of the cardinal virtues of Masonry, *Therefore Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge recommends temperance to every Mason in this jurisdiction, as being calculated to promote the best interests of its members, and pledges itself at its next meeting to take some decided step towards an organization in connection with the Craft, pledged to total abstinence.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bro. ALLEN H. CROWE, but was mainly written, he tells us, by Bros. TRENAMAN and MOORE, his associates, he having been afflicted with almost continuous ill health. The report is a credit to its authors, being one of the best reviews we have read. It occupies eighty pages of the appendix, and is a genial and quite full review of the proceedings of fifty Grand Lodges. California for 1876 is honored with four pages, mostly of extracts from the Address of Grand Master BROWNE, of whom and the address the writers speak in the highest terms. We thank our brother for his friendly notice of our humble self, and assure him we intended no reproach in the appellation of "Blue Nosed," which we always thought was the Nova Scotia rendering of "Universal Yankee." Most happy are we to learn that their new hall is no longer a dreaded ele-

phant but a complete and abiding fact. Long may our brethren enjoy themselves within its ample walls.

There are sixty-seven Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of three thousand four hundred and ninety-nine.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

OHIO.

The sixty-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ohio was begun in the city of Columbus on the sixteenth day of October, 1877,—the M.: W.: CHARLES A. WOODWARD, Grand Master, presiding, and the R.: W.: JOHN D. CALDWELL being Grand Secretary. Two hundred Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master's Address is well written, and mainly confined to the business of the jurisdiction. Death had been busy during the year, and several prominent members of the Grand Lodge had been called away. Full and eloquent tributes are paid to the memory of Past Grand Master LUCIUS V. BIERCE, Past Deputy Grand Master EDGAR A. HOPKINS, Past Junior Grand Warden KENT JARVIS, Past Grand Tyler JOSEPH B. COVERT, and Past Grand Chaplain A. H. WASHBURN.

Dispensations had been granted for the formation of three new Lodges. One zealous brother, Master of *Hanselmann* Lodge, No. 208, offered the following preamble and resolution, which were laid upon the table :—

Whereas, Since 1875 the organization of Colored Freemasons within the State of Ohio has grown to forty-two Lodges and over twelve hundred members ;

And they have, in consequence of our refusal to recognize them, acquired the desired recognition from a number of foreign Masonic Grand Bodies, as for instance, the eight Grand Lodges of Germany, the Grand Orients of France, Italy, Hungary, Peru, Dominico ;

And in consequence of this recognition there are now virtually *two* Masonic Grand Lodges, with substantially the same Constitutions, laws, and rites, in the State of Ohio. And in view of these facts, the subject of Colored Masonic Lodges has become one of most serious importance to Masonry, which demands our prompt attention without further delay, it is hereby

Resolved, By the "Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Ohio" that the Most Worshipful Grand Master appoint a committee of five brethren, with instructions to report in the next Grand Lodge session, whose duty it shall be to inquire into the expediency of recognizing the so-called Grand Lodge of Colored Freemasons of the State of Ohio as a legitimate and independent Grand Lodge, under the title of "*The African Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Ohio* ;" and if this should be found inexpedient, to inquire into the propriety and expediency of absorbing them in our own Grand Lodge organization.

It is quite evident from this, and the report of the Grand Secretary, as chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, to be noticed hereafter, that some of the brethren in Ohio do not mean to allow this vexed question to rest in peace. Again we ask *cui bono* ?

Some brother having published, in a paper of his own, the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, and commented rather harshly upon the action of some of the members, the subject was brought before that body for some action. The committee reported that no further legislation was necessary, as the "Charges of a True Mason," adopted by the Grand Lodge, fully provided for such cases.

Bro. CORNELIUS MOORE, an aged and veteran Mason, whose worldly treasures were very scant, was granted one hundred dollars per annum, until the further order of the Grand Lodge.

Among the eulogies pronounced upon the dead of the year, was one upon Past Grand Master BIERCE, evidently from the pen of the Grand Secretary. The brother undoubtedly deserved all the tribute paid to his earnestness, fearlessness, and devotion to the cause of Masons generally. But what would be said or thought in *our* Grand Lodge, should some brother speak of a Past Grand Master as we read in the closing sentence of this eulogy?—

JUDGE LUCIUS V. BIERCE, as many called him, also a noble Masonic veteran, our beloved Past Grand Master, was another original character, one that made his mark in and out of the Grand Lodge. He was unselfish, devoted to the cause of human rights, unsparing in invective to wrong and oppression. His thought was for the poor, the downtrodden; his labor was to elevate, to educate, to reform, to tell the sound truth, to reach the true end by straight open means, to take radical recourse to right what was wrong. His interest at home in worthy causes, his success in applying mind, body, and estate to make institutions of interest to the people flourish, so as to do good, not for show but service, seemed to be attested when he died by a universal attendance of the lawyers, of whom he had been the oldest and most devoted to just causes, of educators, of citizens generally, to bear witness that his was a bright, shining character. He ever was the decided opposer of non-affiliation. He was the decisive advocate of the Masonic recognition of colored Masons. He boldly told the Grand Lodge that he had attended their Lodges, saw their work, and had accepted the honorary membership in their organization as a representative of their Grand Lodge!

The returns of the subordinate Lodges show, among other things, that seventeen hundred and forty-four members had been suspended during the year for the non-payment of dues. We do not wonder that the brethren were somewhat startled at this development, and wished to do something to stop this fearful leak.

Circulars had been addressed to the subordinate Lodges asking answers to the following questions:—

Question 1. Is it the custom of your Lodge to go to extra expense in caring for the sick or burial of the dead (of sojourning Masons) without the expectation of reimbursement from their Lodges at home?

Question 2. Is it the custom of your Lodge to report (if possible) a case of sickness or death of a stranger, and ask instructions as to expense to be incurred?

Question 3. If no reimbursement is asked or expected by your Lodge, do you expect to pay such bills, when presented by other jurisdictions, for your absent members?

The answer to these questions fill fifteen pages of the proceedings. We give two as a fair sample of all:—

First. Have had no cases to refer to; but I take the responsibility of answering "yes," believing our Order to be purely "benevolent" and not "beneficiary."

Second. Would undoubtedly report the case; but not in relation to expenses incurred, as we should not expect to be reimbursed by any other Lodge. *Third.* No; but if such bills should be presented, would probably pay them in regard to the customs of such Lodges, and for the fraternal care we have for our absent members.

First. Our experience has been that we have never been reimbursed for caring for sick brethren or for burial of sojourning Masons. *Second.* In some instances. We have, in one instance, notified by telegraph, and received answer to render assistance; but that was all we ever received. *Third.* We expect to render such assistance to our members, both present and absent, if worthy, as we are able to.

The Grand Lodge of Ohio, as the rule of its own action, adopted the following resolution in 1867:—

That the burial of a deceased brother is an exercise of Masonic charity, and gives the Lodge dispensing such charity no claim against the Lodge of which such deceased brother was a member. The exercise of charity and brotherly kindness is a duty incumbent on all Masons, and toward every worthy member of the fraternity, and cannot be made the foundation of a pecuniary demand.

The Report of the "Committee on Foreign Communications," as it is styled in this jurisdiction, is from the pen of Grand Secretary CALDWELL, and occupies one hundred and twenty-three pages of the appendix. Our brother signalized the Centennial by his "new day, new duty" report relative to the colored Lodges. This year he may well call his report a "new departure," for it is unlike anything else we have met with in our researches, and we hardly know what and how much to say in its review. We have read the whole of it with interest, and thank our brother for the mass of information he has furnished upon the several topics discussed. We shall carefully preserve the document for many a future reference; but to our mind it is anything but a Report on Foreign Bodies. His excuse is given in these opening paragraphs:—

The first named on the committee, having some earnestness in a few particulars that have been generously borne with by the Grand Lodge in a new departure in the mode of getting up a report, is only responsible for the sentiments, selections, and oddities of this presentation. The writer has an antiquarian turn, and believes with BACON that "it is not AUGUSTINE's or ST. AMBROSE's works that will make so wise a divine as ecclesiastical history thoroughly read and observed."

It is not the transitory recital from the proceedings of Grand Lodges only, but from historical recitals and precedents that we get best informed on the scope and merit of Masonry.

Some dozen or so of pages are then devoted to the discussion of the "Colored Question"—our good brother having that on the brain badly. The most of this is a real or imaginary conversation with a colored brother who applies to a Lodge of white Masons for the privilege of visiting. Of course the colored gentleman has the best of the argument, but is excluded nevertheless. Then the acts of certain German Lodges in excluding Israelites are thoroughly discussed and reprobated as of course they should be. We are indebted to Bro. CALDWELL for the information, new to us, that at present only two of the many continental Grand Lodges adhere to this policy of exclusion, viz.: that of the "Three Globes" and of Germany; both of Berlin.

Then on a score or two of pages we have many documents transcribed touching the "Ancient Landmarks" and "Charges," as found in "ANDERSON's Constitutions," from which it is evident that ANDERSON and his confreres are no favorites of Bro. CALDWELL. Then the genuine work of PRESTON, WEBB, STEARNS, BARNEY, WILLSON, and SNOW is reviewed, and our good brother labors to ascertain which is the "original JACOBS," and who has it? We are left somewhat in the dark however. Certainly *we* never encountered or heard of some of the catechisms here given. Perhaps the reason is that California has departed from the true faith and has become reprobate; if so, we must suffer with her, for she is our only Masonic mother and guide.

Then we have a large amount of historical details of Masonry, in nearly all existing jurisdictions, of interest and importance. Our brother closes with these paragraphs, written in the same temper as the opening ones:—

The preparation of valuable Masonic historical data has consumed a large portion of the time of study of the writer hereof, and has extended this report. Yet he hopes that the placing of these facts in a permanent form, not only for the Craft in Ohio, but elsewhere, will be considered appropriate, and prove to be a useful contribution to Masonic history. The great extent to which these pages have extended precludes the reference to minor local topics of each Grand Jurisdiction throughout the United States. Ohio has been freely commented upon in many quarters for the stand assumed by its Special Committee on the status of colored Masonry in Ohio. All that has been said denunciatory is not considered as heard or heeded. The Masonic purpose of the committee, I know, needs no defense. The departure I have taken in my report, I trust, will be the means of inciting other Grand Lodges to secure faithful historical recitals, that we all may be profited thereby.

There are four hundred and seventy-two Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of twenty-nine thousand two hundred and ninety six.

The *M. W.* WILLIAM M. CUNNINGHAM was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* JOHN D. CALDWELL was re-elected Grand Secretary.

OREGON.

The proceedings at the twenty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Oregon come to us in a portly, handsomely printed pamphlet of three hundred pages. The Communication was held in the city of Portland, on the eleventh day of June, 1877,—the *M. W.* J. HENRY KUNZIE, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* ROCKEY P. EARHART being Grand Secretary. Fifty-seven Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is long, occupying some twenty pages, but ably written and plain spoken in its suggestions and reproofs. The opening paragraphs

are so good and well expressed, that we make more than our usual extract therefrom :—

It matters little to us whether the rites of Masonry can be traced to Patriarchal times, to the exploded mysteries of Paganism, the temple builders of King Solomon, or, as some suppose, merely to the artificers of the Middle Ages. It is with the morality of Masonry, not with its literary curiosities, but with the utility of it, that we have essentially to do. It professes to be founded on the two sublime and simple precepts, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and thy neighbor as thyself."

Masonry may be older or newer. We know not and probably never shall know when or where it originated, or how; but these were the rules prescribed by the All-Wise and All-Merciful for the rational creatures of his hands, before the foundations of the world were laid. Throughout all the globe we inhabit, throughout the vast immensity of creation, obedience to these commands constitutes the moral happiness of rational beings. Living faith and active benevolence are the real foundations of Freemasonry. Masters and Wardens of Lodges, keep that fact in view of your brethren; your words and style may be rude and unpolished, but if your heart be in them they will awaken admiration and sympathy. It is generally supposed by those who do not object to Masonry as a positive evil, that it is at least a harmless charitable association; but, in truth, the real spirit of Masonry is not confined to the relief of a brother's physical wants, or the preservation of his life when in peril, of which we have all heard many interesting instances. Such occasions seldom occur, but every day affords opportunity to promote our brother's temporal good by lawful and honorable means; to help him by enabling him to help himself; to extend our sympathy to his troubles and our charity to his failings and imperfections; to make peace between friends; to warn one of his danger, another of his errors; to be patient, tolerant and forgiving toward all. And it is because Masonry brings into exercise qualities of which all acknowledge the excellence, that it has its vitality, universality and importance. A bitter enemy of Masonry, through the public press, asked, "Who has sanctioned this combination, that it thus be permitted to spread over the world and act as it liketh, at all seasons and in all places? It may exist in Government or the seat of justice, in the jury box, in the legislature, in the army, in the navy, and even among our own family; it may plot or cabal against us, or for us; we are powerless in its meshes; they may, in spite of us, plot together against us. How insignificant is the power of the confessional when compared to this?"

It is pleasant to think that, so far as regards the diffusion of our fraternity, this anxious alarmist is perfectly right. The meshes, as he calls them, of Masonry do, in truth, envelop the world—from New York to California; from Hongkong to London; North and South, East and West, everywhere; they include men of all estates and conditions, and whether you go to ask a favor from a statesman, or get a horse shod by the blacksmith, you may find a "brother of the mystic tie" in him you seek. So mote it ever be. Yet we do not see and do not know that any one is a whit the worse for Masonic plots and cabals. He who is a Mason remembers full well upon what conditions he became one, and that a Masonic Lodge has never had plans for conspiracies submitted for approval. Our fraternity, powerful as it is, is so only for good. It is powerless for evil. Direct it to a good end, then every true Mason will lend his aid, the arms of the fraternity will stretch over the globe to assist you, and the "meshes" of the net-work will

"Feel in each thread, and live along the line."

But try to turn it to evil—the strong chain of brotherhood drops short—it ceases to unfold the evil doer, while it reunites more firmly than ever around the rest. Other associations have died away in thousands in all ages, because their ends were evil or indefinite, and their purposes narrow; but Masonry, though cursed and denounced, ridiculed, reviled, and persecuted, and alas! too often perverted, abused, degraded, and prostituted, is still founded on truth and the immutable laws of the Sovereign Architect of the Universe, and therefore it is the bond of a great and powerful association, spread over the whole habitable world, honored and protected by rulers and statesmen, and, what is of greater importance to us, cultivated and cherished by a multitude of wise and good and conscientious and honorable men.

The Deputy Grand Master and Grand Wardens had been detailed for visitation of the Lodges in their vicinity, and their reports show "good work and square work."

The Grand Master regrets to state that these reports and his own observation show that "not over two-thirds are live, energetic working Lodges, the balance sadly lacking vitality and force. 'Tis true," he adds, "peace and harmony prevail; but in the case of these one-third, it is but synonymous with stagnation." He censures this want of interest, and makes some good suggestions as to a proper and effectual remedy. He congratulated himself and the fraternity that he had only

granted *one* dispensation for the formation of a new Lodge. He preferred to build up the Lodges now in existence to weakening them by the establishment of new ones where they were not imperatively demanded.

One of his decisions censures a Lodge, and particularly its Master, for permitting the reconsideration of an unfavorable ballot at a subsequent meeting, because a brother had told him he thought he had cast a blackball by mistake. He also decided that three Master Masons, with the Tyler, could raise a candidate, though it required seven to transact regular business. Perhaps he is right in the strictest theoretical letter of the law, but we confess our inability to see how it could be done practically. We question whether the candidate would be much benefited or instructed by such a raising, and devoutly hope that we may not be one of the three charged with that arduous work.

We give another of his decisions, with the action of the Grand Lodge thereon, as follows:—

Question.—Is the loss of one eye a disqualification for the degrees of Masonry?

Answer.—Yes; our ancient regulations say every candidate must be upright in body, not deformed or dismembered at the time of making, but of hale and entire limbs as a man ought to be. Our sympathies may favor a man who is worthy, yet has met with the misfortune to lose an eye, yet unless a candidate comes up to the standard of a perfect man he cannot be made a Mason.

But the Committee on Jurisprudence thus reported, and the Grand Lodge concurred in the report:—

The loss of an eye does not disqualify a candidate for the degrees of Masonry. The law, as understood by your committee, is that physical defects should not be considered unless they operate as a restraint on the work. A brother with one eye does not rest under a disability as to the work. He can perform his part.

On the subject of work, or rather the *manner* of work, the Grand Master has these judicious suggestions:—

The aim and effort of our Grand Lodge, as it is of others, is to have uniformity of work in the essentials of the ritual. There is one way of working in which we can and should have uniformity, and that is the performance of the ritual in a creditable manner by the officers of the Lodge. We do not here refer to any changes in the lectures, but to their recital in an intelligent manner—not jumbling sounds, and syllables, and words all in the same tone of voice, but investing the work and the sentences with meaning. We are sometimes told by inattentive and indolent officers, who are not well posted in the ritual, and who meander or hurry through their parts as best they may, that there is no harm done if the work approximates the standard; that it is wholly unnecessary to be exact in the matter; that if some small things are omitted it will make no difference, as it is only a form which may be changed without detriment, and little parts may be left out without damage. Such persons are out of their proper place when seated in the stations of a Masonic Lodge. They forget that the whole of the beautiful and impressive ceremonies of Masonry, and even its ritual, is made up of small parts and points which harmonize so completely as to form a perfect system, and which is only spoiled by the separations and omissions of its members.

The Grand Treasurer reported as in his possession three notes of individual Masons, included as part of the assets of the Grand Lodge, amounting to \$1260, on which there had accrued unpaid interest to the amount of \$620. He recommends that the same be cancelled as worthless. The maker of one of these notes had been expelled by his Lodge for *gambling*. “Served him right,” said the Grand Lodge, and so say we.

Elaborate notice was taken of the death of Bro. GEORGE FRANK GOULEY, of Missouri, through a special report of the Committee on Correspondence, and a memorial page was ordered to be inserted in the proceedings. On a report from the same committee, and on the strength of a letter from Bro. JOHN W. SIMONS, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York, the “Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba, at Havana,” was recognized.

The oration of the Grand Orator, Bro. J. N. DOLPH, is published at length, and we were so well pleased with its perusal that we marked nearly a dozen paragraphs for

quotation; but our allotted space will only permit of one or or two. They are Masonic gems:—

Such persons appear to think that if the ancient traditions concerning the origin of Masonry are swept away, the whole superstructure must fall; but the institution of Masonry, whatever its age, exists not by so frail a tenure: it derives not its value as an institution by reason of its antiquity. It is no sacred outgrowth of the past, which neither the experience of ages nor the changes of human society must be permitted to affect. On the contrary, its value to-day is because it is a live, active institution, adapted to the wants of man; to help the unfortunate; to redeem the erring; to rescue the lost; and whatever may be its origin, it has undoubtedly outlived many contemporary institutions. It has survived fierce opposition, true to its Ancient Landmarks and the high purposes of its institution among men, and has wielded a mighty influence for the alleviation of human misery, and in bringing the human family into more intimate relations with each other. A strictly historical address, reaching back to the infancy of the order, tracing its rise and growth, describing its struggle with civil and ecclesiastical powers, and its triumphant progress to its present position against all opposition, would not only be profitable to the craft at large, but intensely interesting to the student of Masonic literature. I have neither the ability nor material for such an address, and it is not my design, upon the present occasion, to undertake such a task. A more pertinent question is, what is the present claim of Masonry, and what shall be its future influence in the world?

We need more light as to the great principles upon which our institution is founded, because, if Masonry is to endure, those great principles must remain, in the future as in the past, the basis upon which the whole superstructure stands.

The proposition of the Atheists and Materialists to strike out of the French Constitution the clause which declares that "Freemasonry is based upon the existence of God and the immortality of the soul," is portentous with danger to our ancient Order. Whenever from its foundation these principles are wrested, the total demolition of the structure is not far distant. It is sincerely to be hoped that such a departure from the Ancient Landmarks of the institution, if made, will at once sever French Masonry from the great Masonic fraternity.

A great trust has been placed in our hands. A grand institution, hoary with the lapse of centuries, but vigorous as in youth, appealing to the best and noblest feelings of the human heart, adapted to the wants of man as a social dependent being, has been bequeathed to us. Upon us rests the responsibility of preserving it and transmitting it to the generations to come. * * *

Mason! lift up thy thoughts to the Great Architect of the Universe. Open thy heart to receive the impress of divinity that pervades all nature. Hear the voice of God as it proclaims to the evermore immortality, and devote thyself to the great work of bringing the moral being, so far as thou canst, to that degree of perfection which will fit thee for the presence of thy God and the society of the pure in the realms of light prepared for the spiritual home of man. To that glorious world, designed for the eternal residence of the just made perfect; where brotherly love is the commanding principle of action: where all good Masons, whatever their differences of religious belief, hope to arrive; in those delightful regions where all are brethren, all children of one family, gathered at last where all is purity and beauty and glory, basking forever in the eternal sunshine of a reconciled God, and transported with the eternal song of thanksgiving to the Great Author of existence; where the redeemed shall stand "Before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple, and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them;" where "They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more, neither shall the sun light on them nor any heat;" "for the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters, and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes," may we and the whole Masonic fraternity at last be gathered.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the able and well known pen of Bro. S. F. CHADWICK, and is a full review of the proceedings of thirty-six Grand Lodges. California for 1876 had not reached our brother.

There are fifty-seven Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of two thousand three hundred and eighty-four.

The M. W. ROBERT CLOW was elected Grand Master and the R. W. ROCKEY P. EARRHART was re-elected Grand Secretary.

PENNSYLVANIA.

We have received, in a handsomely printed pamphlet, an abstract of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania at its Quarterly and Annual Communications held during the year 1877. The first Quarterly was held in Philadelphia, on the

sixth day of June, the *M. W.* ROBERT CLARK, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* JOHN THOMSON being Grand Secretary. Ninety-six Lodges were represented.

The executors of the estate of the Rev. JOHN CHAMBERS, D. D., for a quarter of a century one of the Grand Chaplains, presented to the Grand Lodge a fine portrait of the deceased. The same was accepted with thanks.

Resolutions of sympathy were passed, condoling with the Grand Lodge of Missouri on account of the death of Grand Secretary GEORGE FRANK GOULEY.

The next Quarterly Communication was held on the fifth day of September, at which seventy-three Lodges were represented.

The Grand Secretary submitted the annual report of the Lodges and membership, from which it appears that there are three hundred and seventy-five Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of thirty-seven thousand eight hundred and eleven.

The Committee on Correspondence reported in favor of opening Masonic intercourse and fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

A third Quarterly Communication was held on the fifth day of December, the same Grand Officers being present. Two hundred and five Lodges were represented.

The Grand Lodge proceeded to the election of Grand Officers, which resulted in the choice of the *M. W.* JAMES MADISON PORTER as Grand Master, and the re-election of the *R. W.* JOHN THOMSON as Grand Secretary.

The Committee of Finances reported in detail, presenting figures running up into the hundreds of thousands. Our brethren of the Keystone State spend money with no stinted hand. They estimate the expenditures for the next year at \$147,000, nearly \$100,000 being for interest and sinking fund on account of the new Masonic hall.

The "Grand Lodge Charity Fund" amounts to \$67,200, yielding an interest of \$4023. The "Girard Bequest," for charitable purposes, now amounts to \$61,000, the interest on which is devoted to the relief of suffering brethren in and out of the jurisdiction.

The Annual Communication was held on the twenty-seventh day of December, at which sixty-six Lodges only were represented. The "Board of Almoners" reported that they had disbursed \$2720 to two hundred and thirty-four applicants, one of whom hailed from California. The portrait of Past Grand Master SAMUEL H. PERKINS was presented and accepted.

Grand Master CLARK, as is the custom in this jurisdiction, now delivered his Valedictory Address. He had made a number of official visitations during the year, inspecting the work and encouraging the brethren. The Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba had been fraternally recognized. We suppose that the Grand Master knows whom he is hitting in the subjoined extracts, but we must confess that they are enigmatical to us:—

It is a cause of just pride to the fraternity under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, that within the past few years the evidence of respect of the other Grand Lodges of the United States for our Grand Lodge has increased and grown in a very marked degree. It was once, and not unfrequent, that our sister Grand Lodges seemed to take pleasure in the utterances of what was no doubt regarded by them as innocent or harmless attempts at cynical criticism on what they deemed the exclusiveness and self-conceit of this Grand Lodge. We were twitted with the paucity of the official published proceedings, the absence of disquisition, either in Grand Masters' addresses or other official papers that were presented in print for public perusal, or for that of the brotherhood. Pennsylvania modestly listened to all this with a patience inexhaustible as its prudence, and waited for that coming time when the policy of this Grand Lodge would be vindicated by the common acquiescence of the craft in the propriety of its course. This time has come. When now, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania speaks to those who wish to hear, on subjects which directly and unquestionably concern the common welfare of all Freemasons, it is with profound satisfaction that we find her words are not unnoticed, or her views unheeded.

We are pleased to read such words as the following as to the condition of the Craft in Pennsylvania :—

The close of my administration finds the Craft in this jurisdiction prosperous, harmonious, and consolidated into a brotherhood of earnest, faithful, confiding Freemasons, who regard with love and reverence their Grand Lodge, and exhibit an abiding faith in the virtues of the Craft, and in its high destiny, and regard as a sacred solemn duty, God helping them, to maintain its landmarks inviolate, doing their work in the temple dedicated to Him, and resting under the favor of Heaven.

The newly elected Grand Officers were installed, and Grand Master PORTER delivered a neat and appropriate opening address. In alluding to the bequest of the late STEPHEN GIRARD, the Grand Master mentions another like act of a good brother who went and "did likewise :"—

The memorial devise of our late Bro. STEPHEN GIRARD, to the Grand Lodge, of a fund known by us now as the "STEPHEN GIRARD Charity Fund," for the relief of poor and destitute Master Masons, and which has diffused such substantial charity to many whose needs have been shielded from the cold neglect of all but those brethren who quietly administered Masonic relief, excited the benevolence, animated the Masonic heart, and caused our lamented brother, Past Master STEPHEN TAYLOR to a like act of Masonic beneficence. Within a few days, Bro. TAYLOR departed this life, beloved and respected by his brethren in Masonry, and indeed by all who knew him. A long life of fidelity, integrity, and virtue closed amid the poignant sorrows of his family and friends.

By his will he has devised to this Grand Lodge a sum of \$10,000, which, on the happening of proper conditions, will become the property of the Grand Lodge, and its income is then to be devoted to the most enlarged and benevolent intentions of the testator. The Craft are its beneficiaries, and it will be known as "The STEPHEN TAYLOR Bequest." Thus the virtues which our fraternity teaches are consecrated by the devotion in life of true Masons, and, when ability and opportunity permit, are hal- lowed by its latest act.

The Grand Lodge passed suitable and well-deserved resolutions of thanks to Past Grand Master CLARK, for his efficient administration of the office of Grand Master.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. RICHARD VAUX, who writes so well and so much to the point, that, like Oliver Twist, when we are through with his report, we "ask for more." We quote these paragraphs from the beginning of the report as specimens of the whole :—

Pennsylvania has no mission in Masonry either to proselyte or reform. As we received the faith, so we propose to hand it over to those who come after us, neither changed nor altered in jot or tittle. But Pennsylvania feels that she has a mission to preserve, conserve, protect, and defend the foundations of Masonry. Not exulting, not proclaiming, not superserviceable, not meddlesome, not as a busy-body seeking for a cause to intervene in the affairs of others that do not concern her, yet firm as the eternal hills, bold as truth, sincere as a Samaritan devotee, modest, earnest, and unpretending, Pennsylvania will exercise her high prerogative as a Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, to enter her judgment against those who are false to Freemasonry, and, within her jurisdiction, put prohibition on false doctrine, heresy, and schism.

It is but too apparent, to the observing and thoughtful of the craft, that there does exist a restless spirit of innovation, here and there, which is seeking to "reform," modify, and make more acceptable to some, who regard themselves wiser in their generation than the children of light, the severe tests and binding principles of the ancient fraternity. The problematic philosophy of the student is mistaken for the teachings of the preceptor, and the glare of some scientific production of light, which, by the untrained or impaired vision, is saluted as the sunrise, are alike introducing mischief into Masonry. It has been said "that error is harmless if truth is left free to combat it," and in the exercise of this freedom is to be found the sure safeguard for the fraternity of Freemasons. It should ever be remembered that there must be prudence in trying to do right, if good is to come out of the effort. We accept this rule as obligatory ; but right must not be put in peril by prudential inaction.

These suggestions are made because in our view there is a necessity thus to speak, when we see that in Europe, as in some other places also, excited, mistaken, and we hope, misguided men, who answer to the name of Masons, like other "latter-day" teachers, are setting up "new duties" and new notions, and other novelties in the Masonic Temple. The benefits which are possible from all this are infinitesimal and cannot be measured, but the evils are boundless as the circumference of their influence.

Human genius in modern days in Masonry cannot expect—if it does, it has failed in realizing it—to be a Solomon either in wisdom or power, in glory or achievement; but human faith to-day can animate the zeal of the sincere and humble of the craftsmen to stand round the foundation of the Temple, if they cannot reach its pinnacle, and prevent its profanation or its destruction by some visionary zealot, rude skeptic, emotional torch-bearer of a false light, or a pretender, who, mistaking error for the similitude of truth, is seeking notoriety to find only a grave and a fame as a disciple of *Erostratus*.

Upon the "color" question, on which Bro. VAUX is outspoken, he gives us this scrap of Masonic history of the last century:—

To demonstrate that we have not expressed opinions of a new day or the obligations of a new duty to the Craft, the following minute of our Grand Lodge of March 6, 1797, fully proves. Thus, more than three quarters of a century ago, the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania issued her mandate and proclaimed her judgment on this subject:—

"Bro. ISRAEL ISRAEL communicated that a Lodge was said to be held in this city by a number of people of black color; that in consequence of an invitation, he, together with several other brethren, went to visit them last week at a house on Front street, where they were then holding a Lodge, as they called it, but that he found that they were not acquainted with the mysteries of the Craft.

"On motion made and seconded, ordered that the Masters of the different Lodges under the jurisdiction be informed that it is the order of this Grand Lodge that none of the members of our Lodges visit the said pretended Masons of black color on pain of expulsion."

Bro. VAUX is very brief in his notice of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges. He devotes a page to California, which is more than the average. In relation to a remark of ours, touching the aggressive movements of the German League, Bro. VAUX has these words. We hope he will prove a true prophet of the future:—

The Grand Secretary, on behalf of Bro. WILLIAM H. HILL, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, presented his report. The Grand Master seems to have impressed upon all of his subordinates the indefatigable labor that he himself discharges, for this report is itself like the Grand Master's address, very full and very able. It notices the proceedings of Pennsylvania, from the Communication in 1875, down to that of March, 1876. We cannot agree with our Worshipful Bro. HILL in speaking of the German Masonic League and its effects, that "this cloud, once no larger than a man's hand, threatens a fierce and coming storm. We fear that one after another of the American Grand Lodges will be drawn into the maelstrom." No! Worshipful Bro. HILL. If the American Grand Lodges, as you call them, have the courage to assert and maintain their sovereignty and defend their supremacy by the weapon known to us as non-communication, the storm will pass over without either anger or tears, and the meridian of the glory of the Craft in the United States will be resplendent with Masonic virtue.

Bro. VAUX can say more in fewer words than any correspondent whose report has come under our notice. Here is a sample of one of his *multum in parvo* dissections of a brother—him of Ohio: "In reading his notice of Pennsylvania, we find that what is comprehensible in it is so plain as to need no comment, and what is incomprehensible in it is so abstruse that it becomes obtuse." Stand aside when Bro. CALDWELL comes back upon his Keystone critic. We find many other things in this brief report that we would like to extract, but must curb our pen and lay aside our scissors.

We have also received two numbers of the reprint of the "Early History and Constitutions, and Minutes and Proceedings" of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, from the year 1730. This work is compiled and published by the Library Committee of the Grand Lodge, and, when completed, will be not only an interesting, but a most valuable compilation. These pamphlets are printed on fine white paper, with clear type, each containing about one hundred and fifty pages, and are sold to the Craft at one dollar per number. Number one is graced with the portrait of Col. DANIEL COXE, of Trenton, first Grand Master of New Jersey, by whom, as we understand, the Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania was instituted. Number two has a life-like portrait of Dr. FRANKLIN in his fur cap, the philosopher having been one of the first and most prominent Masons in that jurisdiction, and for some time its Grand

Master. The two numbers before us bring the history of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania down to the close of the last century. We had marked many paragraphs which we believe would be of interest to all the Craft, but have only time to allude to a very few.

We learn that "Freemasonry was introduced into America about 1730, when DANIEL COXE and several other brethren, residing in New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, applied to the Duke of Norfolk, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England, who was pleased to grant a dispensation to open a Provincial Grand Lodge in those Provinces." As the commission to HENRY PRICE, from Viscount MONTAGUE, to open a Lodge in Massachusetts, bears date in 1733, this would seem to settle the question in favor of Pennsylvania being the first Grand Lodge in North America, it having been instituted by Col. COXE, prior to New York and New Jersey. He visited the Grand Lodge of England in 1731, and was then greeted as the "Provincial Grand Master of North America."

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN was one of the original members of this Grand Lodge, and published a history of Freemasonry in the "Pennsylvania Gazette," in December, 1730, and "Anderson's Constitutions" in 1734.

The minutes of the Grand Lodge, previous to the Revolutionary War, are very meagre. Regularly on St. John's Day the brethren marched to church and listened to a charity sermon.

The politics of that day disturbed the harmony of the Lodges. "Whig" and "Tory" could not always sink their antipathies, even in the Lodge. More than one Master would not attend the meetings of his Lodge because of his "unfortunately lying under the imputation of being proscribed as a person inimical to the States."

We find this minute under the date of September 7, 1778: "Capt. STEPHEN GIRARD was duly balloted for, unanimously approved of, initiated, and accordingly paid his dues (twenty dollars) into the hands of the Treasurer."

Then follows—"The Ahiman Rezon (the authorized manual of Pennsylvania Masons) prepared by WILLIAM SMITH, and adopted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in 1783." This quaint document is dedicated "to His Excellency GEORGE WASHINGTON, Esq., General and Commander-in-Chief of the Armies of the United States of America; in testimony, as well of his exalted services to his country, as of that noble philanthropy which distinguishes him among Masons." Bro. SMITH, in his zeal for the antiquity of Freemasonry, goes a little further back than we care to follow. We copy a paragraph:—

The sublime operative and mechanic part of Masonry was practised by ADAM in the bower of Paradise, and propagated among chosen men of his posterity in a lesser or greater degree of perfection, through the different nations of the world, (as learned brethren have fully shown); nor was the noble art lost by the Israelites either during their peregrination in Egypt or journeyings in the desert of Arabia, for there it pleased the Supreme Architect to inspire those great Master Masons BEZALEEL and AHOIAB, and to put wisdom and understanding into their hearts, and to teach them how to work all manner of work for the service of the sanctuary, and erecting that most glorious tent or tabernacle wherein the divine Shechinah vouchsafed to promise a special residence, and which, although not of stone or brick, was framed by geometry, a most beautiful piece of architecture (and afterwards the model of Solomon's Temple) according to the pattern that God had shown Moses on the Mount.

Such speculations are at least harmless, and as those old Masons of Revolutionary times were of the right stamp and true ring, why should we grudge them this little play of the imagination? Not we, certainly, nor even this additional item of old Masonic lore:—

And thus MOSES, a man supremely skilled in all the Egyptian learning, who, to his other titles, added that of King of Jesurun, being divinely taught in the art of building, became *Grand Master Mason* or *Builder* among the Israelites, and often marshalled them into a regular and *general Lodge*, while in the wilderness, and gave them wise *charges* and *orders*, had they been but well observed.

If this be so, it is time that somebody should dedicate a Lodge to MOSES, "our first Grand Master."

Some of our brethren have hauled us over the coals because we have said that in California the Master of a Lodge need not necessarily have first been a Warden, and they quote at us this old "landmark," which we find in this "Ahiman Rezon:" "No brother can be *Master* of a Lodge till he has first served the office of Warden somewhere," etc. But what will our censors say to this equally direct assertion of an old landmark:—

"At every Annual Election or appointment of Grand officers, the nomination or appointment of the *Grand Secretary* is considered as the inherent right of the *Grand Master*, being properly his amanuensis, and an officer as necessary to him as his Deputy." We "pause for a reply."

The minutes of the Grand Lodge proper, begin with July, 1779, it being stated in the papers that "the former minutes of this Grand Lodge were either mislaid or carried away by some enemies to the Royal Art, during the confusion of the present war."

In January, 1780, it was resolved that it was expedient to elect a "Grand Master of Masons throughout the United States;" and, on ballot, "His Excellency GEORGE WASHINGTON, Esquire, General and Commander-in-Chief of the Armies of the United States," was unanimously elected. Correspondence on this subject was held with the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, but the project fell through.

September twenty-fifth, 1786, it was "Resolved that this Grand Lodge is and ought to be a Grand Lodge independent of Great Britain or any other authority whatever;" and so "this Lodge, acting by virtue of a warrant from the Grand Lodge of England, was *closed forever*." Immediately the thirteen Lodges assembled and formed themselves into a Grand Lodge "to be called the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania."

Punch-bowls seem to have been of considerable importance in those days. We judge so from this minute under the head of June, 1791: "The committee appointed to call on Bro. JAMES PICKERING for the masonic bowl belonging to the late Lodge No. 4, reported that they had called on him and he had refused to comply with their request. Whereupon, on motion and seconded, *Resolved*, That said Bro. JAMES PICKERING be excluded from every Masonic Communication until he returns the said bowl."

In March, 1792, the following address was presented to President GEORGE WASHINGTON by the Grand Lodge:—

To His Excellency GEORGE WASHINGTON, President of the United States:—

Sir and Brother: The Ancient York Masons of the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, for the first time assembled in General Communication to celebrate the Feast of St. John the Evangelist, since your election to the chair of Government in the United States, beg leave to approach you with congratulations from the East, and in the pride of fraternal affection to hail you as the Great Master Builder (under the Supreme Architect) by whose labor the Temple of Liberty hath been reared in the West, exhibiting to the nations of the earth a model of Beauty, Order, and Harmony worthy of their imitation and praise.

Your knowledge of the origin and objects of our institution, its tendency to promote the social affections and harmonize the heart, give us a sure pledge that this tribute of our veneration, this effusion of our love will not be ungrateful to you; nor will Heaven reject our prayer that you may be long continued to adorn the bright list of Master Workmen which our fraternity produces in this terrestrial Lodge; and that you may be late removed to that celestial Lodge where love and harmony reign transcendent and divine, where the Great Architect more immediately presides, and where Cherubim and Seraphim, wafting our congratulations from earth to heaven, shall hail you brother.

By order and in behalf of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in general Communication assembled in ample form.

J. B. SMITH, *Grand Master*.

Attest:

PETER LE BARBIER DUPLESSÉ, *Grand Secretary*.

The President returned answer as follows:—

To the Ancient York Masons of the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania :—

GENTLEMEN AND BRETHREN : I receive your kind congratulations with the purest sensations of fraternal affection, and, from a heart deeply impressed with your generous wishes for my present and future happiness, I beg you to accept my thanks.

At the same time, I request you will be assured of my best wishes and earnest prayers for your happiness while you remain in this terrestrial mansion, and that we may hereafter meet in the Eternal Temple of the Supreme Architect.

GEORGE WASHINGTON.

We would like to make many other extracts from these interesting volumes, but have already exceeded our prescribed limit. We congratulate our Pennsylvania brethren on the rich mine of Masonic lore thus being explored for their benefit.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Our young and ardent brethren of this little Province, like those of Rhode Island and the District of Columbia, meet often in Grand Lodge, not being content, as we in California are obliged to be, with an Annual Communication only. It is well, perhaps, where that luxury is not too costly, as it probably is not in this island. The humble pamphlet before us, of twenty-five pages only, contains the records of the second Annual Communication, and of three Quarterly ones, held respectively on May the twelfth, at Summerside; August the sixteenth, at Port Hillod; and November the thirteenth, at Graystown—all in the year 1876. The Annual Communication was held in Charlottetown, on the twenty-first day of February, 1877,—the *M. W.* JOHN YEO, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* B. WILSON HIGGS being Grand Secretary. Eight Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is very brief. He was happy to inform his brethren that their Grand Lodge had received, thus far, friendly recognition from fourteen other Grand Bodies, California being one. Dispensations had been granted for the formation of two new Lodges.

A resolution, to abolish the Quarterly Communications and substitute Semi-annual ones therefor, was lost. It was resolved to adopt the ritual as worked by the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

We have also received the proceedings of three Quarterly and the third Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge. The Annual Communication was held in Charlottetown, on the twentieth day of February, 1878,—the *R. W.* JOHN W. MORRISON, Deputy Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* B. WILSON HIGGS being Grand Secretary. Nine Lodges were represented.

The Grand Master, *M. W.* JOHN YEO, transmitted his annual Address, expressing his regrets that he was not able to be with them on this interesting occasion. Two new Lodges had been constituted during the year, making eleven in all in the jurisdiction. He was opposed to the abolition of the Quarterly Communications, believing that their benefit to the Craft far outweighed the consideration of expense and personal trouble.

The Grand Master quotes with approval, and as a matter of Masonic history of interest to all, the following extract from the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Scotland :—

At a Quarterly Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Scotland, held in Edinburgh on the 4th instant, the *M. W.* Grand Master Mason, Sir MICHAEL R. SHAW STEWART, on the throne, * * * * "the minutes of Grand Committee brought up the question of the recent change in the Constitution of the Grand Orient of France, whereby a profession of belief in God and in the immortality of the soul is not now essential to admission as Freemasons in that body; and stated that Grand Secretary had intimated to the Grand Orient that should it be the case that such a radical change in the fundamental principles of ancient Freemasonry had indeed been confirmed by that body, Grand Committee would be under the necessity of recommending to Grand Lodge to sever the fraternal relations that have for so long a period subsisted between it and the Grand Orient of France. In connection with

this subject, the Deputy Grand Master had called attention to the letter, which, as he thought, had been very properly addressed by Grand Secretary to the editor of the *Courant*, pointing out that, instead of requiring to be urged by a subordinate Lodge to its duty in regard to the obliteration of religion from French Freemasonry, Grand Lodge, as represented by Grand Master and Grand Committee, had, some weeks previous to the resolution of *Mother Kilwinning* on the subject, communicated with the Grand Orient; and Grand Secretary had been thanked for his letter, and been instructed to put on record that it was beyond the province of *Mother Kilwinning*, or any Lodge holding of Grand Lodge, to communicate direct with any foreign Grand Lodge on the subject of Freemasonry. A reply was submitted from the Grand Orient expressing great astonishment at the proposal for the rupture of fraternal relations, and remarking that there seemed to be a belief that the Grand Orient, in modifying the first Article of the French Masonic Constitution, wished to profess atheism and materialism; but holding that this was an erroneous interpretation of the vote—an interpretation which there had already been occasion to protest against—and declaring without hesitation that nothing was more contrary to the feelings which dictated the revision of the article of Constitution. In concluding, the letter from the Grand Orient expressed the hope that the considerations set forth therein would be weighed by Grand Lodge, which counted among its members so many distinguished men, that when better informed on the question now occupying its attention it would refuse to take part in an act of intolerance which would be at complete variance with the real sentiments of the Masonic brotherhood, and that the fraternal relations now existing between Grand Lodge and Grand Orient would be continued. Grand Committee had expressed an opinion that the reply of the Grand Orient was not satisfactory, and this was confirmed by Grand Lodge."

An amendment to the Constitution was unanimously adopted, changing the time for the Annual Communication to the twenty-fourth day of June, and providing for a Semi-annual Communication on the third Wednesday of December.

In the proceedings of the several Quarterly Communications we find only this one item of general interest. It is a decision of the Grand Master:—

Most Worshipful Grand Master gave his decision that, in his opinion, there was nothing in the Constitution or Landmarks for disqualifying a hunchback from being initiated into Masonry, provided he could comply with all the ceremonies of the initiation in the several degrees.

There are eleven Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of five hundred and sixty-six. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

QUEBEC.

The eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Quebec was held in the city of Montreal on the twenty-sixth day of September, 1877,—the *M. W.* JAMES DUNBAR "on the throne," and the *R. W.* JOHN H. ISAACSON being Grand Secretary. Representatives were present from fifty-two Lodges.

From correspondence published in the proceedings, it appears that this Grand Lodge has at last been recognized by the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and that representatives have been exchanged. Complaint is still made, however, by the Grand Lodge of Quebec, that that of Scotland permits some Lodges in Montreal to hold allegiance to it instead of to Quebec. Resolutions were passed requiring all such Lodges to surrender their charters, and receive new ones from the Grand Lodge of Quebec within one year.

The Address of the Grand Master was brief. He speaks of the prosperity of the craft in the Dominion of Canada, and also in the United Kingdom of Great Britain, etc. Of the latter he says:—

The increase of Freemasonry within the past few years has been very remarkable, and particularly in the United Kingdom, where, according to recent authority, it has been computed that nearly one out of every four or five men of the upper and middle classes is a Mason. The Grand Lodge of England has now three Princes occupying the three first chairs, the Prince of Wales being Grand Master, the Duke of Connaught, Senior Grand Warden, and Prince Leopold, Junior Grand Warden.

The Grand Lodge of Missouri had not yet receded from its policy of non-recognition, of which the Grand Master complains. Dispensations had been granted for two new Lodges. We commend this closing paragraph of the Address to the attention

of those without who are unceasing in their charges that Freemasonry is everything that is bad:—

My predecessor, *M. W. Bro. GRAHAM*, in his address last year, so ably and elaborately expounded the principles of our Craft that I need not refer to them further than to repeat that we do not allow any political or religious question ever to intrude itself; that (to use the words of one of our beautiful public services) “we have proper respect to the established customs of the country in which we live; we have due deference for our superiors in Church and State, and unlimited good will to all mankind. We publicly express our perfect submission to the laws of the land, our unceasing devotion to peace and order, and our ardent desire, as far as in our power, to promote the welfare of our fellow-men.” You are thoroughly conversant with our tenets and the rules that govern the Craft, under the British Constitution, and wherever Masonry is rightly understood and properly practiced; you know how excellent are the precepts, how perfect the doctrines of our ancient and widely spread institution, and that he who is a really good Mason cannot be a bad citizen.

The District Deputies submitted elaborate reports of their visitations, but we find nothing therein calling for special notice. The Grand Chaplain, *Bro. H. W. NYE*, made a short and interesting address, which is published in the proceedings. This paragraph will apply in the United States as well as over the border:—

Freemasonry has ample work to do in all States and nations in hastening the brotherhood of man. In this Canada of ours there is sufficient need that it should spread the cement of brotherly love to counteract the sectional, political, and sectarian tendencies to alienation and strife. In the religious world even, I am sorry to say, there is need of Masonic labor to realize the unity for which every true worshiper of the great Jehovah hopes and prays. It ought not so to be, but it is true that in the Masonic circle there is a tie of brotherhood which makes religious men more truly fraternal, and not merely to express more of that union which is so essential to religious joy and usefulness than they are wont to have outside that circle. And surely if ever age or country had need of all the forces that can be made available for so great a result, our young Dominion in this, the hour of her youth and danger, has that need. Here within our borders we have a community composed of races widely differing in origin and idiosyncrasy, and the tide of emigration is constantly bringing in waves of population from the elder world to find a home and country under the broad shelter of our free institutions, our just and equal laws. To unite and assimilate these varied people is a task which requires Masonic cement and Masonic charity. Let us each strive, in his own sphere, faithfully to use the trowel and spread the cement of affection and kindness which unites all the members of the great Masonic family, wheresoever dispersed, into one grand union of brotherly love, relief and truth.

The Grand Lodge adopted a resolution putting an end to dual membership, which had theretofore prevailed in the jurisdiction, and been productive of much confusion.

Past Grand Master *JOHN H. GRAHAM* was the recipient of a “splendid silver tea service, purchased in England by order of this Grand Lodge, in testimony of its appreciation of his valuable services.”

The Committee on Ritual presented a report so far as the E. A. degree was concerned, and exemplified the work in that degree. After a long debate the Grand Lodge approved of the work thus submitted, and declared it to be that of the jurisdiction. There is no Report on Correspondence, but a committee, with the Grand Chaplain as chairman, was appointed to present one next year. There are sixty-two Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of two thousand eight hundred and ten.

The *M. W. MELBOURNE M. TAIT* was elected Grand Master and the *R. W. JOHN H. ISAACSON* was re-elected Grand Secretary.

RHODE ISLAND.

The brethren of “Rhode Island and Providence Plantations” have such a way of meeting in special Communications, and then of reporting the proceedings of the annual one, beginning, as it were, with the postscript and ending with the address, that it puts a reviewer to his wits’ end to make a connected story of the whole. In this, “Little Rhody” is worse than either Massachusetts or Pennsylvania, which is saying a great deal.

In the pamphlet before us, after a good look at the excellent portrait of the venerable Past Grand Master *ARIEL BALLOU*, we have the proceedings of one special

Communication, called May the twenty-seventh, 1876, to constitute "*Roger Williams Lodge*;" another, June the twelfth, to do a similar favor for "*Adelphi Lodge*;" another, June the fifteenth, to constitute "*St. Paul's Lodge*;" a "Festival Communication," June the twenty-sixth, to eat clams and do up some little of the unfinished business of the last Annual Communication; another Spécial at Block Island to set *Atlantic Lodge* in motion; and then the Semi-Annual Communication, held in Providence on the twentieth day of November, 1876.

At this last, the *M. W.* NICHOLAS VAN SLYCK presided as Grand Master, and the *R. W.* EDWIN BAKER was Grand Secretary.

The Committee on Correspondence reported that the so-called "Grand Lodge of Ontario" was clandestine and should not be recognized. The Grand Lodge concurred.

It was deemed inadvisable to establish a "Board of Commission on Masonic Trials," *a la* Massachusetts, but it was recommended that in all trials the Grand Master appoint some brother learned in Masonic law to sit with the Master as an adviser.

Then we have another Special Communication, called February the twenty-second, 1877, for the exemplification of work. This was done by conferring the three degrees, at one sitting, upon Bro. CYRUS M. VAN SLYCK, son of the Grand Master. We take it that the initiated brother must have been remarkably bright to learn the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft lectures in so short a time, or else that that trifling matter must have been dispensed with.

An "emergent Communication" was held in Wakefield, April the twelfth, to attend the funeral of Past Grand Master STEPHEN AYRAULT ROBINSON.

The underbrush being at last cleared away, we come to the eighty-seventh Annual Communication, which was held in Providence on the twenty-first day of May, 1877, the same Grand Officers being present. Thirty Lodges were represented.

The Grand Secretary, taking precedence of the Grand Master, first submitted his annual report, containing an account of the work in his office during the year. Several reports were made from the Committee on Grievances, but we find nothing calling for special comment.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence only occupies two pages of the proceedings. This paragraph relative to the Craft on the other side of the Atlantic is worth perusal:—

Masonry in Great Britain was never better organized or in a more flourishing condition. In England, where the defection of the Grand Master a few years since seemed to presage disaster, an unexampled prosperity attends the Craft. On the Continent of Europe, where organizations of the Scottish Rite are generally the governing Bodies, Masonry recently has made much progress, particularly in Italy and the Netherlands. In France, it is greatly to be regretted that the Grand Orient, the governing Body of the fraternity in that country, at its Annual Session in September last, indicated its purpose to strike from its Constitution a recognition of the existence of God and the immortality of the soul. If the Grand Orient of France shall decide to take this step, on the ground of providing for absolute liberty of conscience, it will go far to separate itself and the Masonic fraternity of France from the respect and fellowship of the Craft in most other jurisdictions.

In accordance with the recommendation of this committee, the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba was fraternally recognized.

Last, though not least, comes the Address of Grand Master VAN SLYCK. It is brief and entirely occupied with the details of the work of the jurisdiction. After having creditably served the Craft for four years in that position, the Grand Master makes his humble and graceful bow of acknowledgment and retires. A Past Grand Master's Jewel and apron were voted to him by the Grand Lodge.

There are thirty-one Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of four thousand three hundred and eighty three. The *M. W.* CHARLES R. CUTLER was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* EDWIN BAKER was re-elected Grand Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Grand Lodge of South Carolina commenced its one hundred and first Annual Communication in the city of Charleston, on the eleventh of December, 1877,—the *M. W. WILMOT G. DE SAUSSURE*, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W. CHARLES INGLESBY* being Grand Secretary. One hundred and fifty-eight Lodges were represented.

The excellent Address of the Grand Master opens with a beautiful tribute to the memories of Grand Secretaries GOULEY, DOVE, and HARRIS, respectively of Missouri, Virginia, and New Hampshire. No new Lodges had been formed during the year, for which the Grand Master does not express any sorrow. The fact, he says, "is neither surprising nor discouraging." The Grand Master warmly commends the Report of the Grand Secretary as chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, but not a whit more than it deserves. He recommends the acknowledgment of the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba, and censures in strong language the course pursued by the Grand Orient of France. "We owe it to ourselves," he says, "to express our condemnation of so utter an abandonment of what we have been taught to regard as a great principle of Freemasonry."

The Grand Master devotes a large part of his Address to the consideration of the question, whether the last year was, in truth, the Centennial of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina. Past Grand Master BLAKE, who had been invited to be orator on the occasion of its celebration, declined on account of his belief that it had not yet arrived. His letter, a very long one, appears in the proceedings. He believes the true date of the organization of the Grand Lodge to have been in 1787, but the Grand Master and Grand Lodge agreed rather with MACKAY, who says in his "History of Freemasonry in South Carolina:—"

In the year 1777, the want of a Provincial Grand Master began to be felt, and the Grand Lodge, at a previous Quarterly Communication, having elected the Hon. BARNARD ELLIOTT, at the Annual Communication of this year he was duly installed as *Grand Master of Masons in this State.*" This is the first time that the word "State" is used in place of that of "Province," which had formerly been employed. The political independence of the country, which only six months before had been declared at Philadelphia, was already beginning to produce its effect on the Masonic society. The title of "Provincial Grand Lodge" does not afterwards appear to have been applied to the body, except during the year that Charleston was again subject, after its reduction, to the authority of the British Crown. These circumstances, and the fact that the Grand Lodge ignored the claim of Sir EGERTON LEIGH to be still the Provincial Grand Master, as recognized by his superior, the Grand Master of England, led me irresistibly to the conclusion that the existence of the Independent Grand Lodge of South Carolina is to be dated from the year 1777. And at page 51, under the head "Formation of the Independent Grand Lodge of South Carolina," he writes, "Thus was the Independent Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of South Carolina established in the year 1777, not by a dissolution of the Old Provincial Grand Lodge, and the organization by new Lodges of a superintending power, but by a simple resolution of the Provincial Grand Lodge to throw off its Provincial and subordinate character, by a refusal to recognize any longer the authority of the deputation which had been granted to Sir EGERTON LEIGH by the Duke of Beaufort, when the latter was the presiding officer of the Grand Lodge of England, and by the election of a Grand Master who was installed as "*the Grand Master of Masons of the State.*"

Grand Master DE SAUSSURE was requested to deliver a public address at the next Annual Communication, on the History of Ancient Freemasonry in South Carolina.

In the appendix appears a "Digest and Compilation of Decisions and Legislation of the Grand Lodge," covering twenty pages of fine print. This will be of great use to the individual Lodges, as well as to future Grand Masters.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the able pen of the Grand Secretary. It is a full review of the proceedings of fifty-two Grand Lodges. California for 1876 is liberally and approvingly noticed. He says the Address of Grand Master BROWNE is "exceedingly able and interesting," and copies freely therefrom. Bro. BONTE, also, is highly eulogized for his excellent oration of that year. We also

thank our brother for his complimentary notice of our own report, and hope we may always deserve a like good word from him and his brethren of the reportorial corps.

The *M. W.* BEAUFORT W. BALL was elected Grand Master and the *R. W.* CHARLES INGLESBY was re-elected Grand Secretary.

TENNESSEE.

The sixty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee was begun in the city of Nashville, on the twelfth day of November, 1877,—the *M. W.* ELIHU EDMUNDSON, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* JOHN FRIZZELL being Grand Secretary. Three hundred and thirty-nine Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master is well written, and presents a thorough discussion of the important questions offered for the consideration of the Grand Lodge. We quote with pleasure these well expressed sentences:—

To our “time-honored institution” the year just passed has revealed nothing specially new, but to the political world it has been fruitful of events. Masonry has gone on the even tenor of her way, “turning neither to the right nor left” in her mission of charity and brotherly love. When our predecessors met here twelve months ago, our country had just emerged from an active, exciting, and acrimonious political contest, in which the two great political parties had been for several months arrayed one against the other; and, while no deadly or hostile weapons had been used, the English vocabulary had been pretty well exhausted in the use of unpleasant and offensive epithets. Many of our brotherhood who were assembled here had been active participants in that contest, and although its excitement was then at its acme, yet within these walls all was peaceful and harmonious; no bitterness, dissension, or discord was seen here—the political differences were left without; we met then as we meet now, upon the level and as brothers. However great our religious and political differences outside, within these walls and those of our subordinate Lodges they are unknown. One of the cardinal principles of our Order, instilled in the mind of the novice at the very threshold, is that Masonry is not to interfere with our politics or religion, and is never to be discussed at our meetings; and this alone would commend it favorably to the world, especially at a time when party spirit and religious fanaticism run high. Now, I am gratified to say there is less of this in our broad and favored land than there has been for a very long time; and from one extreme to the other, we have, politically as well as Masonically, a country free, peaceful, and harmonious—no sections or divisions, but united, indivisible, inseparable, and happy. Added to these great blessings our people have been favored with propitious seasons and abundant harvests, and while many of our numbers have been gathered to their fathers, our jurisdiction has been abundantly blessed with health. And for these manifold blessings we should not withhold our gratitude from the All-wise Ruler whose All-seeing Eye has been round and about us, shielding us from the dangers of each our, and sending us the early and latter rain.

He had been able to visit but few Lodges in the jurisdiction. There had been fewer accessions to the Craft than in former years. The Grand Master attributed that fact to “the depressed condition of the country, and the great number of secret institutions, and the natural fondness of men for things of novelty.” He had authorized the formation of two new Lodges, and had refused the applications of as many more.

The subject of “non-affiliation” has been a trouble to the mind of the Grand Master. Reliable statistics inform him that during the last nine years over “fifteen thousand Masons have died, moved away, stand suspended or expelled, or gone into the ranks of non-contributing Masons,” in Tennessee alone. A startling exhibit, indeed! The remedy that suggested itself to the Grand Master was to deprive these drone Masons of some of the *privileges* now enjoyed by them, which, in fact, were all those of Masonry, except the single one of voting in Lodges. He would deny all non-affiliates “the privilege of visitation, beyond a certain number of visits; also the privilege of Masonic burial, and a participation at our festivals and public processions.” He also suggested that the Secretaries of Lodges be required in their returns to give, as far as possible, the number of non-affiliates in their jurisdictions. The Grand Lodge, in words, indorsed the sentiments of the Grand Master, but no formal action was taken.

The Grand Master publishes twenty-three of his decisions. We copy one or two, for information rather than discussion :—

That it is not unlawful to have Masonic burial service at the grave of a deceased brother some time after interment, though I should advise against the practice.

That when an expelled party is restored to membership, the dues he owed prior to expulsion should be collected.

That a Lodge cannot tax the members *pro rata* to pay the debts of the Lodge.

That it is not competent for a Lodge where a brother had membership when the Grand Lodge suspended him, nor the Lodge into whose jurisdiction he may afterward move, to restore him—the Grand Lodge only can do it.

That the Lodges themselves must decide whether or not it is unmasonic for a brother to engage in “tippling.” Edict 33 says, “It is the province of Lodges, under the restrictions prescribed by Masonic law and usage, to determine what pursuits, practices, or delinquencies are in violation of the moral law.”

That it is competent for the son or father, who is Master of a Lodge, to preside in the trial of the other, though I would say it would be in very bad taste for him to do so.

The first refers to a practice, even yet quite frequent, we are informed, in the Southern Jurisdictions. We think that the advice *against* it, is wise. The fifth tells its own story, and as to the sixth, we think that the Grand Master was wrong as to the right named. We think that universal common law, as well as common sense, on such a question, amounts to a total prohibition.

The Grand Lodge resolved that hereafter no members, except the standing committees, should receive a per diem allowance; thus relieving the Grand Lodge funds of a burden that was fast verging upon bankruptcy. Past Grand Master ANDREW J. WHEELER, publisher also of the “*Masonic Jewel*,” was requested to sit for his portrait.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. GEORGE S. BLACKIE, whom, after an absence of five years, we gladly welcome back to this important position, which he always filled so ably and satisfactorily. We copy his salutatory :—

BRETHREN—After a lapse of five years, we are permitted to submit the Report on Foreign Correspondence. We enter on the task with pleasure and confidence, being well aware that not only is our heart in the work, but also that our former endeavors have met the approval of not you alone, but of the brethren of other jurisdictions, whose work it has been our privilege to review. We would willingly extend our report by a cursory glance at the affairs of other Grand Lodges during the time that no report has been printed by you, but motives of economy warn us to be as brief as possible. Suffice it, then, to say, that during that time Masonry has largely extended her bounds in this and the other continent—many new Grand Lodges have been formed, and her harmony has been little but disturbed. Considered as a means of civilization, as an agent in extending the human family—or the better and more progressive portion of it—as an agent in entirely and profitably occupying the habitable earth, Masonry outweighs all other merely human agencies. And American Masonry fails not to do her share in this great mission. Many grand chiefs and leaders have fallen, and we mourn them.

“Far off, but ever nigh, we hear their voice and we rejoice,”

for in their deeds and words they live with us. And better still, their example has inspired others to fitly fill their vacant seats in the terrestrial Lodge, and build up names which, in their turn, must become immortal. Thank God for that.

Our brother writes easily, having acquired the art of saying much in few words. California for 1876 has a page's notice devoted to its proceedings.

Bro. BROWNE is highly complimented for his able Address of that year, and Bro. BLACKIE is pleased to apply the word “masterly” to our own humble report. With much blushing thereat, we return thanks and say “ditto.” On his recommendation the Grand Lodge of Tennessee fraternally recognized the Grand Lodges of New Mexico and of the Island of Cuba.

We shall avail ourselves liberally of the work of our good brother, in our summary of the proceedings of Foreign Bodies. Having traveled much, and Masonically

too, in Europe during the past few years, Bro. BLACKIE often speaks from personal knowledge and observation. We clip the closing paragraph of his excellent report:—

Our humble effort is ended. We have endeavored strictly to discharge our duty, and to do the work pointed out to us by the Constitution and usages of Masonry. The Grand Lodge is in no way responsible for our individual opinions, but we have tried to form them so as not to bring discredit, at any rate, on our brethren. In conclusion, we beg respectfully to state that the importance of a report of what our brethren abroad are doing cannot be too highly estimated. Not to know what passes beyond our limits makes us bores, prejudiced, narrow-minded, and self-conceited. The members of the Grand Lodge should know what others think of them, and others should know what the Grand Lodge of Tennessee thinks. Years of recent travel and residence in other foreign jurisdictions, on both sides of the Atlantic, have taught us the high estimation in which Tennessee is held, and we say it with modesty and pride, she has gained her high position very much from the able reports of FULLER, FRIZZELL, and others. Economy in the affairs of our body should be practiced in other directions than that of education—that of teaching the Tennessee Masons what passes beyond the frontier of their favored territory. We hope that our Tennessee reports may never again appear without a review of the affairs of our brothers, wherever settled.

To our brethren of the corps of Foreign Correspondents, we gladly give another cordial greeting. Your cordial words to us, when young in this work, were very sweet; your commendation we have endeavored to deserve; and we leave it to your criticism to decide if we have succeeded.

Brethren at home and “far awa,” we greet you in the bonds of affection and sympathy!

There are four hundred and four Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of seventeen thousand nine hundred and eleven.

The M. W. AMERICUS V. WARR was elected Grand Master and the R. W. JOHN FRIZZELL was re-elected Grand Secretary.

TEXAS.

The Grand Lodge of Texas held its forty-second Annual Communication in the city of Houston, on the thirteenth day of December 1877,—the M. W. MARCUS F. MOTT, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. GEORGE H. BRINGHURST being Grand Secretary. One hundred and forty-five Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master MOTT is long, but well written, and mainly occupied with the affairs of this large and important jurisdiction. We are pleased to read these good words, which form part of the opening paragraphs. We wish the same could be said of every jurisdiction and Lodge:—

From all the information I have been able to gather, I am satisfied that the moral tone of Masonry in Texas was never better than now. There has been less comparative increase of membership than at some former periods of its history, which of itself is an auspicious omen. Lodges have given more attention to the exclusion of unworthy material. The portals have been more closely guarded, and the moral qualifications of candidates more strictly inquired into. Gambling, intemperance, and kindred vices have been warred against, discipline enforced, and the laws and regulations of this Grand Lodge generally observed and respected. The spirit, philosophy, and teachings of the Order are being better understood, and its great moral design more appreciated. Still, much remains to be done in this direction. There is yet much groping in the darkness by those who have been accustomed to consider the ritual and lectures as the sum and substance of Masonry, though I am happy to say that inquiry is awakening, and the moral beauties and sublime truths of the Order are being daily more and more unfolded in the light of earnest investigation. When every Mason in this jurisdiction comes to understand that Masonry means something more than lectures, attendance upon Lodge meetings, and the payment of Lodge dues—that it is something higher, nobler, and better than a mere mutual aid association, a brighter future will take the place of the already bright present. The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man find ample exposition in the spirit of our institution. It reaches into and touches the hearts and homes of men, their happiness and their moral welfare. It guides them into the sweet paths of virtue, and holds out the hope of a glorious immortality. “Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.”

Many of the Lodges had subjected themselves to the discipline of the Grand Master; and from this cause, or from the fact that they were in a moribund condition,

the charters of sixteen Lodges had been arrested. Some were restored by the Grand Lodge, but the action taken was approved in every instance.

The Grand Master had issued thirteen dispensations for the formation of new Lodges, and had refused ten other applications. One of the Deputies reported to him that a certain Lodge had been doing badly. He says: "I gave the Lodge a long talk on their duty, and think perhaps it may do good. *Too much whiskey and profanity is the trouble.*"

The Grand Master expresses his "earnest hope that the day is not far distant when every Lodge in Texas will own its Masonic home, and be able to gather the Lares and Penates of its household faith around altars secure from change or alien encroachment." Here is one of the questions submitted to him, and his answer:—

Question.—Is a child who had been legally adopted by a Master Mason, but of no blood relation, entitled to the usual benefits secured to Masonic orphans upon the decease of the adopted father?

Answer.—No! Such rights accrue by virtue of the natural ties that exist between parent and child, and cannot be created by artificial relations.

This may be in strict accordance with the letter of Masonic law, but it seems to us that it does not fully square with the claims of equity and the eternal fitness of things.

The following little scrap of Masonic history, though specially interesting to the Texas brethren, is worthy of a wider perusal:—

An interesting incident in the early history of Masonry in Texas has just been brought to light. Forty-nine years ago, and eight years before Texas achieved her independence upon the battle field of San Jacinto, Bros. STEPHEN F. AUSTIN, the father of Texas, IRA INGRAM, the first speaker of the Congress of the Republic of Texas, H. H. LEAGUE, ELI MITCHELL, JOSEPH WHITE, and THOMAS M. DUKE met together at the little village of San Felipe, on the Brazos River, in the first Masonic Convention ever held upon the soil of Texas. These distinguished pioneers and settlers of this great State must hereafter rank Bros. JOHN A. WHARTON, ASA BRIGHAM, JAMES A. E. PHELPS, ALEXANDER RUSSELL, ANSON JONES, and J. P. CALDWELL, as the earliest patrons and promoters of Masonry in Texas, and go down into history with this additional halo of glory around their memories.

In November last, Bro. GUY M. BRYAN, of Galveston, who is the custodian of the papers and archives of STEPHEN F. AUSTIN, handed me a document found by him among Gen. AUSTIN's papers, containing the proceedings of this Convention, and desired me to present the same to this Grand Lodge. It is accompanied by a paper in Spanish, which proves to be the form of a petition or dispensation for a new Lodge. Before removing to Texas, Bro. STEPHEN F. AUSTIN was a member of St. Louis Lodge, No. 3, holding a charter from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, at the town of St. Louis, in what was then the unoccupied Masonic territory of Missouri. His status as a Master Mason being established, there can be no question of the authenticity of the documents, and I have deposited them with the Grand Secretary, in accordance with Bro. BRYAN's request, to await your pleasure.

The Convention met for the purpose of petitioning the Grand York Lodge of Mexico for dispensation for a Lodge at San Felipe. About that time, and afterwards, intense excitement existed in Mexico on the subject of suppressing the Masonic societies, in obedience to a Bull fulminated against them by the reigning Pope. Indeed, in a short time, all the men of influence in the country were arrayed upon the side of one or the other of the political factions, which were said to be under the guidance of the several Scotch and English Lodges. The "Escosses" (or Scotch) Lodges were composed of large proprietors and persons of distinction, and were mostly men of moderate and conservative principles. The "Yorkkanos" (or York Masons) were opposed to the Central, or Royal, Government, and were in favor of the entire expulsion of the Spanish from Mexico. Towards the close of 1827, Don JOSE MONTANO published his plan for the forcible reform of the Government, in order to counteract the growing influence of the Yorkkanos. Civil war soon after raged, and in the struggle that followed the rival Masonic bodies lost their power and prestige, and were rent into fragments. Disaster will always follow when Masonry goes beyond her legitimate sphere and enters into the domain of things which concern her not. Owing to this distracted state of affairs, the enterprise of forming a Lodge at San Felipe was permitted to die out.

The document alluded to, being an important contribution to our history, I copy in full, so that it may be published in our proceedings for the information of the Craft in this jurisdiction, and for the benefit of the future historian of our Order in Texas:—

"At a meeting of Ancient York Masons, held in the town of San Felipe de Austin, on the 11th day of February, 1828, for the purpose of taking into consideration the expediency of petitioning the Grand York Lodge of Mexico for granting a Charter or Dispensation for organizing a subordinate Lodge at this place, the following brethren were present: Bros. H. H. LEAGUE, STEPHEN F. AUSTIN, IRA INGRAM, ELI MITCHELL, JOSEPH WHITE, G. B. HALL, and THOS. M. DUKE.

"On motion of Bro. IRA INGRAM, and seconded, Bro. H. H. LEAGUE was appointed Chairman and Thos. M. DUKE Secretary.

"On motion of Bro. STEPHEN F. AUSTIN, and seconded, it was unanimously agreed that we petition the Grand York Lodge of Mexico for a Charter or Dispensation to organize a Lodge at this place, to be called the Lodge of Union.

"On balloting for officers of the Lodge, the following brothers were duly elected: Bro. S. F. AUSTIN, Master; Bro. IRA INGRAM, Senior Warden; and Bro. H. H. LEAGUE, Junior Warden.

"Attest: THOMAS M. DUKE, Secretary." "H. H. LEAGUE, Chairman.

There is something peculiarly touching and interesting in this record. Those noble men, standing upon the confines of civilization, seeking to establish an Empire in the almost untrodden wilds of Texas, and looking forward with prophetic ken to the time when the "wilderness would blossom as a rose," and "tower'd cities and the busy hum of men" usurp the resort of the Indian and the home of the wild beast—seemed to feel that Masonry was a necessary incident to the civilization of the Anglo-American. They sought to invoke its beneficent teachings and humanizing influences in aid of their grand undertaking. No higher tribute was ever paid to our Order. No nobler estimate of its wisdom and truth was ever imprinted upon the records of time.

The following resolutions, reported by the Committee on Correspondence, were adopted without dissent. We hope to see every Grand Lodge taking the ground of the second resolution:—

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of New Mexico is hereby recognized as an independent Grand Lodge, and welcomed to correspondence and the interchange of such courtesies as are usual among Grand Lodges.

Resolved, That the Grand Orient of France, in abolishing from the foundation of its Constitution the assertion of the existence of God and the immortality of the soul, and so opening its doors to atheism, has made a fundamental change in its character, and we can no longer recognize it as a part of the Masonic body.

We always look over the reports of the Committee on Grievances in this Grand Lodge, for we are sure to find something spicy and to the point. Here is the way they disposed of one case that came before them:—

The question may well be asked whether the specification contains any Masonic offense. It is in these words:—

"1. In that the accused, Bro. HODGES, is a member of a club organized at Little River Academy, who call themselves Free Thinkers, but better known as Infidels, whose leading principles are a denial of the divine authenticity of the Holy Bible."

The most that this plea finds him guilty of is belonging to a certain club whose leading principles are found in the denial of the divine authenticity of the Holy Bible. It does not necessarily follow that he adopts all its tenets, or promulgates such doctrines. He may have joined from curiosity, a desire to learn the reasons held out by its members, or from social influences. Take the contrary proposition: He belongs to the Masonic Fraternity; a society which takes the Bible for the rule and guide of its faith, declaring it to be "the inestimable gift of God to man." Yet it would seem from the findings of the Lodge that he ignores the doctrines of that society. Taking the two together, it would seem as if one was a set-off against the other.

And here is a little touch of waggy:—

There was one circumstance developed in the record which may tend to show want of fairness, viz.: the *vote was eight to seven*, and it may occur to some that those particular numbers smell loud to heaven.

In another case the committee call attention to the fact that, out of a membership of seventy-three in a Lodge, only six were present and voting. Better, far, to adopt our plan of commissioners than to have such burlesque "trials by the Lodge." And here is some plain talk on another case:—

If a member, after being counseled with and admonished time and again against the terrible consequences to himself, his family, and his country, of drunkenness, prefers to make a beast of himself, he should be expelled from our Order. Masonry

should not be made a scoff and byword in the mouths of the world because of its drunken and debauched members. Let such a member be cut off without mercy. Reason with, reclaim him if possible, but if he will not listen to reason, and will persist in his drunkenness, to the great disgrace of Masonry, then spew him out as unclean.

They had a quiet laugh over the sending up of a case, where these specifications were named :—

1. Abandonment of family, consisting of wife and children.
2. Embezzlement of Court and State funds.
3. Obtaining money under false pretences, and appropriating the same to his own private use.
4. *Breeches* of trust.
5. And many other minor offences.

The Grand Lodge concluded to send those "*breeches*" back to the Lodge to be mended.

As Mexico is our neighbor, as well as that of Texas, this letter from Past Grand Master TUCKER will be read with interest :—

GALVESTON, December 10, 1877.

M. W. Brother,—I have been very ill, and the effects thereof prevent my attendance at the present Annual Communication of our *M. W.* Grand Lodge, much to my regret. My ill health and domestic afflictions delayed my reporting to you in regard to my investigation of the state of Mexican Freemasonry. I have received much information in regard thereto, in addition to what I possessed at the time you addressed me in that regard.

There are regular Grand Lodges in several States, and in others, subordinate Lodges only. Its Freemasonry is as regular as Texas Freemasonry. I am too feeble, physically, to report in detail at this time. I can only add that in Mexico regular Freemasonry is in the hands of the better classes, and of men whom any Freemason should be pleased to hail as brethren.

Please, sir, to inform the *M. W.* Grand Lodge of the cause of my non-attendance, and tender to its members and accept for yourself my fraternal salutations.

Respectfully and fraternally yours,

PHILIP C. TUCKER, *Past Grand Master*.

A Grand Lodge of Sorrow was held on Sunday evening, December the sixteenth, in commemoration of three hundred and seven deceased members. To insure "Uniformity of Work," it was resolved to appoint two Grand Lecturers, whose duties are thus defined, and for the performance of which they were to receive two thousand dollars :—

They shall be in attendance at the Masonic Temple, in the city of Houston, at least one week before the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge and remain there one week after its close, instructing all brethren who may present themselves during such period, for the purpose of learning the work and lectures. They shall also recite the work before the Grand Lodge whenever required. They shall, under the immediate supervision and direction of the Committee on Work, devote the remainder of their time to visiting the Lodges under this jurisdiction and imparting the work and lectures as adopted by this Grand Lodge. At each Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge they shall make a detailed report embodying their acts for the preceding year. It shall be the duty of each Worshipful Master or presiding Warden to convene their Lodges at such time as may be designated by the Grand Lecturers for the purpose of receiving instruction in the work and lectures.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. E. H. CUSHING, and is a well written and comprehensive review of the proceedings of fifty-three Grand Lodges; our own for 1876 being one. Bro. CUSHING does full justice to California, pronouncing the Address of Grand Master BROWNE to be "a most excellent document," and proving his words by quoting liberally therefrom. He is very complimentary to our own report, for which we thank him. He alludes to what we had said about three *M. M.*'s opening a Lodge, and adds this apropos comment :—

He doesn't quite see how three Masons can open a Lodge. We do not either. The nearest we ever saw it done was upon a funeral occasion, when all the brethren slipped off as the Lodge returned to the room, leaving but three to close the Lodge, and they closed it. It was a case of necessity.

Bro. ABELL need not put on his glasses when he comes to this paragraph: Bro. CUSHING says he "is doubtless the best Grand Secretary in the United States."

There are three hundred and ninety-seven Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of sixteen thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

The M. W. NORTON MOSES was elected Grand Master and the R. W. GEORGE H. BRINGHURST was re-elected Grand Secretary.

UTAH.

The sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Utah was held in Salt Lake City on the thirteenth day of November, 1877,—the M. W. JOSEPH MILTON ORR, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. CHRISTOPHER DIEHL being Grand Secretary. Six Lodges were represented.

The Address of Grand Master ORR does credit to his heart and pen. He congratulated his brethren that the "Angel of Death" had not visited them, and that "peace, comfort, and happiness had attended their homes." He had visited nearly all the Lodges in the jurisdiction, and speaks highly of those in Salt Lake City. But we were sorry to read what he wrote of the Lodge in Corinne, the only Gentile city in the Territory. If this plain history of what he saw does not arouse the brethren to better and more decent conduct in the future, then they should be punished by the arrest of their charter:—

After visiting the brethren at Ogden, we took the train for Corinne, a bright little city on the banks of Bear River. On arriving, our party desired to visit the Lodge room, and requested different brothers resident there to accompany us. They could not; all were "too busy." This seemed strange to us at first; however, we passed it by, as the regular meeting was to be held that evening, at which time we visited the Lodge room. We found a pleasant hall, well furnished, and would be attractive if properly cared for. The reason was soon plain to me why the brethren hesitated to visit their Lodge room during the day. The Tyler's room had the appearance of an old store house, in which was deposited all the traps collected by them ever since the whistle of the locomotive was heard in the valley of the Wasatch, while the Lodge room seemed to be the repository of the surplus alkali dust of that beautiful city. The brethren doubtless regard the broom, brush, and feather duster as profane, and will not admit them in their Lodge room. The records and minutes of the Lodge "lay around loose," mixed up with those of the Odd Fellows, who occupy the same hall. We met at the Lodge the Master, Tyler, two members, and three visiting brothers; that was all. I was mortified, and my traveling companions blushed for shame. I speak in plain terms, and mean just what I say. The membership of this Lodge is large—second to none outside of this city. Its financial condition is good, and there can be no reason for the carelessness and negligence of the officers and members. Additional words are not necessary.

Here is one of the decisions of the Grand Master. It appears that the "one-eyed" question, like BANQUO's ghost, will not down at the bidding. Grand Master ORR thus met the vexed topic:—

Q. At an explosion of a mine in Little Cottonwood a man lost his left eye. The right eye is perfectly sound and healthy. He is desirous of becoming a Mason, and being a very moral and intelligent man would make a good brother. Can we receive his petition?

A. Yes, you can. But I say this is the Masonic rule: No candidate can receive the degrees who is not of lawful age (21 years); nor can one who is in his dotage; nor can any one who is incapable of supporting himself and family, or of receiving and communicating the mysteries of Freemasonry. The old regulations relating to the deformity of applicants is greatly relaxed, and very justly so too.

The majority of the Committee on Jurisprudence concurred with the Grand Master, but Bro. FRANK TILFORD, well known in California, submitted this minority report:—

The undersigned, member of the Committee on Jurisprudence, concurs with all of the report and recommendations made by Bro. ROBERTSON, chairman, except so much of the same as indorses and approves the Grand Master's answer to question two.

He believes that, in accordance with the "Ancient Landmarks" and well established practice of the Masonic Institution, no man can be made a Mason who is not

physically a sound and perfect man, and free from all disabilities which might un him to perform any of the duties incumbent on a member of the Fraternity.

No change, such as the answer proposes, from ancient usage should be sanctioned; and all innovations in Masonry should be avoided unless demanded and justified by the most imperative necessity. For the reasons stated, the undersigned cannot concur with the report of the worthy Chairman.

The Grand Lodge adopted the *majority* report, and one-eyed applicants can now take their choice between Utah and Oregon.

Another of the Grand Master's decisions was as follows:—

Q. Has a member of a Lodge the right to object to the advancement of a brother who has been elected for the degrees and duly initiated an Entered Apprentice, without giving his reasons for so doing?

A. He has such a right. No person can be initiated into a Lodge without the unanimous consent of the members present. Nor can he be advanced without a like consent, and the brother can not be required to give any reason for objecting. This is a well settled principle of Masonic law.

This decision is not in accordance with the law and practice in California, nor do we believe it harmonizes either with the principles of Masonic usage or common sense. As against profanes we admit this rule in its widest extent, and any Master or Lodge that disregards it should be summarily dealt with. But an Entered Apprentice is a Mason, and, as such, has rights, though not to the full extent of a Master Mason. If unworthy, he should not be advanced, but he should know what has been objected to him, and should have the right to meet and explain the charge. If not, what are the "rights" to which he has been admitted? We have argued this question in former reports and will not enlarge. We think the Grand Master and Grand Lodge of Utah wrong in their position.

We heartily concur in what is here said of the atheistic course of the Grand Orient of France. Had no other sin been committed by it, this alone should break the bond of friendship between it and all other Masonic Bodies. Belief in God is an essential which admits of no liberty or cavil in Masonry:—

The Grand Lodges of America have for many years past had difficulties and misunderstandings with French Masonry, and now arises a new source of trouble which we exceedingly regret. In charity we say that some erratic leader of French Masonry has caused the name of God to be stricken from their Constitution, and profess a belief only in that old French adage, "Equality of man and Universal Brotherhood." We believe and feel that there is a God who will love and cherish us "after shuffling off this mortal coil." It is a pleasing thought, and one we can not and do not surrender. A belief in Divinity is impressed upon our hearts. It grew with us from infancy, and we carry it with us to the grave. When the Lodges of France struck from their Constitution the name of the "Great I Am," they violated one of the most ancient and revered landmarks of our Institution. France ought to learn something from history, and remember that when infidelity wrote over the churchyards of France, "Death is an eternal sleep," their nation suffered, and that Order of Brotherhood which teaches man "to do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly before his God," received a wound from which France never recovered.

We were pleased to read the following plain-spoken words of the Grand Master, in relation to the foul blot upon Utah's otherwise fair escutcheon:—

In concluding my remarks, I have only a few words to say. Twelve years ago there were no Masonic Lodges in this Territory, and now, with a population of about 150,000 inhabitants, we have only six subordinate Lodges; but that is not discouraging to the brother who studies our history as Masons, and who understands the embarrassments with which we are surrounded. Our prospects, however, for the future are every day growing brighter. I have seen, during my residence in Utah, many bad men acquire power, and fall because of their evil acts. I have seen good men driven from the Territory by the intolerant rule of a fanatical priesthood, while others fell beneath the stroke of the assassin's dagger from which the bravest men recoil. It is not so now; the time has passed when men are compelled to obey the edict—"Do as you are told and ask no questions."

We now have our railroads and telegraphs, and better than all, we have our mines, miners, and mechanics—the one yielding wealth, the others power and influence—and to-day our gulches and mountains, from Bear Lake to St. George, are giving up their hidden treasures to the honest miner, aided by giant powder, the pick, the shovel, and the drill. These men know their rights, and "knowing, dare

maintain," while the governing power of this great nation seems indifferent to the welfare and good morals of this Territory. Yet the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe, with that silent unknown power peculiar to the "Great I Am," is doing the work of reform and bringing "order out of chaos." Truly,

"God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform;
He plants his footsteps on the sea, and rides upon the storm."

Right here, I call to memory those beautiful sentiments expressed by a German poet more than three hundred years ago; they are worth repeating:—

"Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceeding small;
Though with patience he stands waiting, with exactness grinds he all."

Justice will prevail. It is said to be "blind and slow," yet it gropes its way along with unerring certainty, and will in time overtake us all. Justice is radical; it knows no compromise. This is the idea that controlled our brothers when they established the first Masonic Lodge in Utah.

We say to the Priests of the Latter-day Church, you cannot enter our Lodge rooms—you surrender all to an unholy priesthood. You have heretofore sacrificed the sacred obligations of our beloved Order, and we believe you would do the same again. Stand aside; we want none of you. Such a wound as you gave Masonry in Nauvoo is not easily healed, and no Latter-day Saint is, or can become, a member of our Order in this jurisdiction.

Bro. DIEHL gives us an excellent report as Grand Secretary and Grand Librarian. The library is somewhat of a pet with our good brother, and we rejoice at its fair promises of present and future usefulness. Bro. DIEHL is no idler, and it will not be his fault if Masonry does not flourish in Utah, in the best and truest sense of that term. We take this opportunity to thank him and the Grand Master for the high compliment paid in our appointment as Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of California.

The Grand Lodges of New Mexico and of the Island of Cuba were fraternally recognized. The Masonic Board of Relief in Salt Lake City reported the expenditure of some four hundred dollars in relieving the wants of worthy brethren from other jurisdictions. We are sorry to see that in a fit of economy the Grand Lodge reduced the salary of the Grand Secretary to \$250 per annum. "The laborer is worthy of his hire," and economy in some other direction would have been better.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the busy pen of the Grand Secretary, and, being confined within a compass of less than fifty pages, did not permit Bro. DIEHL to do justice to the fifty-three Grand Lodges whose proceedings he reviewed. He gives California for 1876 more than the average space. He says, "It is always a pleasure to us to review the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, because they give us food alike for the heart and head." He compliments, as they deserve, the addresses of Grand Master BROWNE and Bro. BONTE, and is not sparing of his good words as to our report of that year. Many thanks in the names of all.

There are six Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of three hundred and sixty-seven. The M.: W.: JOHN SHAW SCOTT was elected Grand Master and the R.: W.: CHRISTOPHER DIEHL was re-elected Grand Secretary.

VERMONT.

The Grand Lodge of this jurisdiction commenced its eighty-fifth Annual Communication in the city of Burlington, on the thirteenth day of June, 1877,—the M.: W.: HENRY H. SMITH, Grand Master, presiding, and the R.: W.: HENRY CLARK being Grand Secretary. Eighty-six Lodges were represented.

Grand Master SMITH delivered a long and interesting Address. He pays a glowing and deserved tribute to the memory of a veteran who had departed this life at the ripe age of eighty-five years.. This was Past Grand Chaplain Bro. KITTRIDGE HAVEN, who had been a Mason for more than fifty years, and who "stood like the beaten anvil," when the storm of anti-Masonic persecution swept over the Green Mountain State. Several other noted brethren had been called away during the year. He congratulated the fraternity on the general prosperity of the institution, notwithstanding

ing the pressure of the times. Though Vermont could show no actual growth, yet that was no bad sign. The Grand Master thus moralizes thereon:—

I do not mean that we have grown rapidly in numbers in Vermont; in fact I think the opposite is true, and less than the usual number of new members is reported; but that is not a discouraging indication, by any means, and my advice and belief has been that it is much better that Lodges should cease and become extinct from members "dying out" than to be "killed" by injudicious and careless accession of improper material. If Lodges grow ever so slowly, so that they continue healthy there need be no apprehension for the result. The difficulty and danger is in allowing unfit persons to enter the Lodge. Everything and everybody not rigidly up to the masonic requirement should be kept out, and every Master Mason should be taught those requirements. There is absolutely no reasonable apology for ignorance in the premises. These same things have been said before, and they will do to say again and yet again, not only by Grand Masters, but by the Worshipful Master of every subordinate Lodge in the land.

The Grand Master discusses the question of "Colored Masonry" and the *Prince Hall* Lodge of Massachusetts, and sums up all with this unanswerable conclusion, which is the ground on which our own Grand Lodge stands:—

I apprehend no difficulty at all unless violence is done to a law which is universally recognized on this continent—the law of sovereign, exclusive, and absolute jurisdiction in the Grand Lodge of each State or Province. And this well recognized and long-established legal right cannot be disputed or infringed with impunity.

The question is not whether a free born man with all the other necessary qualifications is a proper candidate for the mysteries of Masonry, nor how white or black he must be to absolutely debar him, but whether or not a Masonic Lodge can be established in any State except under the authority of the legally constituted Grand Lodge of that State. Emphatically and forever—No! Such a Lodge must ever be *ex necessitate* clandestine, and its members spurious and entitled to no recognition whatever.

A Committee on the Republication of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge submitted an elaborate report, giving in detail the history of Freemasonry in Vermont. We cull a paragraph or two for the benefit of all our readers, as well as of those who hail from this gallant State. First as to the introduction of Masonry into Vermont:—

But there is other matter, other material that is of interest to us as Masons and as Vermonters; and it is of this material that I shall more particularly call your attention to in this report.

Let your thoughts wander backward, back to a period that will measure almost a century, back to a time when the thundering of artillery was heard, and the smoke from the battle fields of the revolution, slowly lifting, disclosed to view the powder stained face of many a brave man who laid down his life that we of this day might live, think, speak, and act as freemen; back beyond the days of steam and telegraphy; back to a time when two great thoroughfares ran through the State from North to South, one on the west side, the other on the east side of the mountains; back to a time when the city of Burlington had less than three hundred inhabitants; back to a time when the freemen of Vermont were struggling with the New York Tories for their homes, and Massachusetts was stretching forth her hand for a share of the tight little State; and, with all these internal troubles, furnishing their share of men to fight the battles of a Congress that would not give them a voice in her councils; and, to the honor and glory of their wise leaders, they did it all without taxing the people a dollar: back, I say, to 1781, the year *ETHAN ALLEN*, who is sleeping just above us at *Winooski*, wrote to Congress that he was resolutely determined to defend the independence of Vermont, and rather than fail, he would "retire with the hardy Green Mountain Boys into the desolate caverns of the mountains, and wage war with human nature at large." Back, in fact, to the month Governor *CHITTENDEN* wrote his famous letter to General *WASHINGTON*, detailing Vermont's situation, and making "an able and manly appeal to him to use his great influence in favor of their claims to independence."

It was amidst these trying times, that we of this generation know so little of, that six Masons met at the house of *ABEL WALKER*, in Charlestown, No. 4, on Thursday, November 29th, 1781, and there opened the first Masonic Lodge in Vermont. Thus did Masonry get its foothold, and thus was glorious old *Vermont* Lodge, No. 1, organized, and to-day she would have that honored number, had her members come forward in 1846, at the re-organization of the Grand Lodge. I will digress a moment and answer a question that doubtless some of you have in your mind. That is, why I say that this Lodge that was organized at Charlestown, No. 4, was in Vermont. I have only space to say briefly, that at the time this Lodge was chartered, Charlestown, No. 4, was a part of Vermont; sometime after it was restored to New Hamp-

shire. The funds of the Lodge were divided, and the charter which was granted by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, November 8th, 1781, was carried across the river into Vermont, where it has ever since remained.

Come with me now across the mountains to Manchester, where we will find old *North Star*, No. 2, chartered by Massachusetts, January 19th, 1785. Thence north, we go to Vergennes, where we find *Dorchester* Lodge, No. 3, now 1, which was chartered by the Provincial Grand Lodge of Canada, in 1791. Now we turn and go south to old Bennington, where we find *Temple* Lodge, No. 4, chartered by the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, May 18th, 1793. Once more we travel north to Middlebury, where we find *Union* Lodge, No. 5, chartered by the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, May 15th, 1794.

Thus I have sketched the introduction of Masonry into Vermont, prior to the organization of the Grand Lodge in 1794.

Of the five original Lodges only three now exist, *North Star* and *Temple* being extinct. A number of conventions or preliminary meetings were held, and, October 14, 1794, twelve delegates from these five Lodges met at Putland and organized the Grand Lodge of Vermont, thirteen years after the introduction of Masonry into the State.

And this, upon the work of the faithful few who stood fast amid the raging of anti-Masonry :—

There is still another matter that should not be omitted. I refer to the history of anti-Masonry in this State. It is a singular fact that in a State of this size, a State whose people consisted of intelligent citizens, a State whose freedom and independence was procured at the expense of our ancestors' blood, that such a bitter, unrelenting, deadly feeling of hate should have existed in the hearts of that portion of the people called anti-Masons. Nevertheless, it is a fact that is supported by history. A presidential election occurred during the anti-Masonic period, and of all the States in the Union, Vermont was the only State whose full electoral vote was cast for the anti-Masonic candidate. Two anti-Masonic Conventions were held at Montpelier, one in 1829, the other in 1830.

Pamphlets purporting to reveal the grand secret of Masonry were printed and scattered from one end of the State to the other. An anti-Masonic paper was published at Middlebury. Complete collections of anti-Masonic literature were placed in the various universities in the State. Clergymen were compelled to stand in their pulpits, and either publicly renounce Masonry or be dismissed from the church. Some submitted to this demand, some did not, and some took a middle ground, which was to not meet with the Craft until the storm had passed. Now and then there was a clergyman who would boldly stand out, and no threats could induce him to relinquish his Masonic associations. Of this class, the Rev. KITTRIDGE HAVEN, recently deceased, was one. Amidst the anti-Masonic storm he was waited upon by a committee and requested to deliver an address at Corinth. He informed them that his engagements were such that it would be almost impossible for him to comply with their request. They went away, and in a day or two he learned that they had failed to find a speaker, and were about to abandon the matter. He consulted with his wife and another lady, and they said "KITTRIDGE, live or die, go and deliver the address!" He put a boy on a horse and sent him nine miles to notify the committee he would speak, and he did. The address delivered on that occasion I have. I could relate other incidents of this character, but want of space prevents.

Scattered all through this State are Masons who lived through the whole of that storm. Every one of them has locked up in his memory incidents and facts similar to the one I have mentioned, that have never been published. These men are all seventy years old, and are rapidly passing away. Unless immediate steps are taken to secure these incidents, they will soon be forever lost.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by the Grand Secretary, who strikes out on a new plan for such reports. First he copies in full from all other reports, what the writers had said about Vermont, and verily, a mass of good words were uttered on that point. Then there is a full and careful review of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges, California for 1876 being honored with an eight page notice. We fear that our somewhat brief notice of Vermont will appear tame in comparison with our good brother's. He copies freely, and generally most approvingly, from Grand Master BROWNE's Address. Complimentary words are also said about Bros. ABELL, SHAEFFER, and BONTE, the Committee on Jurisprudence, and our humble self. Bro. CLARK copies what the Grand Master said about Past Grand Master CHARLES MARSH, who is claimed as an honored son of Vermont.

There are ninety-nine Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of eight

thousand three hundred and ninety-six. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

VIRGINIA.

The Grand Lodge of Virginia held its Annual Communication in the city of Richmond, on the tenth day of December, 1877,—the *M. W.* RICHARD PARKER, Grand Master, presiding, and the *R. W.* WILLIAM B. ISAACS being Grand Secretary. One hundred and nineteen Lodges were represented.

The pamphlet before us is prefaced with a striking likeness of the late venerable JOHN DOVE, for nearly half a century the Grand Secretary of the jurisdiction.

The Address of the Grand Master is of fair length, and an able, well written document. Peace and harmony had prevailed during the year. He regretted his inability to attend the Masonic Centennial in Massachusetts, to which he had received a cordial invitation. As the hundredth anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Virginia would occur in the coming year, he suggested the propriety of its appropriate celebration. He has these plain spoken words about an evil practice that had shown its head in old Virginia, as well as in some jurisdictions further west:—

Being informed by a District Deputy Grand Master that a member of one of our most flourishing Lodges, consisting of Christians and Jews, had publicly and seriously avowed that no Jew should be admitted within the Lodge—thereby causing great detriment to it, and exciting one class of its members against the other, each threatening to exclude by their ballots every candidate of the opposite religious persuasion—I held such conduct to be so grossly unmasonic that it should not be overlooked; that no one had a right to set up his narrow opinions against one of the fundamental principles of Masonry. All it requires on this subject from a candidate for initiation into its mysteries, is that he have a sincere belief and trust in God. Beyond this, it is not lawful for any Mason, or body of Masons, to impose any religious test upon a candidate for admission. If he have the necessary moral and physical qualifications, as prescribed in our Book of Constitutions, the doors of our Lodges should be as wide open to a Jew as a Christian. Moreover, a Lodge is not compelled to submit to its destruction, in deference to the wilfulness or prejudice of any of its members. Whilst the secrecy of the ballot is not to be interfered with, and no enquiry is permitted as to how a member has voted, even though such vote be injurious to the welfare of the Lodge, it is wholly different when one seriously avows his purpose to use the ballot in order to violate one of the great principles on which our institution is founded. Such an avowal, deliberately made, proves the offender to be wanting in that charity which a Mason must have and practice. I therefore instructed the District Deputy Grand Master to warn the offending brother that unless he wholly abandoned this erroneous principle and would heartily conform his conduct to what Masonry requires, he would be subjected to a trial; and required, unless he did so abandon it, that the District Deputy Grand Master should see that charges, with proper specifications, were preferred. And as other members had threatened retaliation, (which though natural, was very unmasonic,) I instructed him to administer a sharp rebuke to them.

It was resolved to erect a suitable monument to the memory of the late Grand Secretary, JOHN DOVE, and the various Lodges were requested to make contributions for that object.

The Grand Master and Grand Wardens were authorized to make suitable arrangements for the celebration of the coming Centennial, should they deem the same advisable.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by Bro. W. F. DRINKARD, his first appearance in that role. He makes many apologies, but need not have done so, as it is a piece of "square work and good work." The proceedings of California had not reached our brother.

There are two hundred and twenty-five Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of nine thousand two hundred and thirty-four.

The *M. W.* BEVERLY R. WELLFORD, Jr., was elected Grand Master, and the *R. W.* WILLIAM B. ISAACS was re-elected Grand Secretary.

WASHINGTON.

Our little sister of the North Pacific has nearly attained her majority. The twentieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Washington was held in the

city of Olympia, on the twenty-sixth day of September, 1877,—the M. W. PLATT A. PRESTON, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. THOMAS M. REED being Grand Secretary. Twenty Lodges were represented.

The Address of the Grand Master opens with a cordial welcome to the Grand Lodge. The necrology of the year had included some of the members of the Grand Lodge, and to their memory, as well as to that of brethren in other jurisdictions, the Grand Master pays an appropriate tribute. Conspicuous among these last, he mentions the lamented GEORGE FRANK GOULEY of Missouri, who was the Grand Representative of Washington near the Grand Lodge of Missouri. Dispensations had been issued for two new Lodges.

The Grand Master thus speaks of a class of veteran craftsmen who are not without representatives in our own jurisdiction:—

I desire to remind you that there is a considerable number of Masons in this jurisdiction who count their years by scores, who are infirm, and some of them poor, who have bravely and consistently withstood persecution for their faith and practice, who have fought a good fight, and won a victory.

These brethren, probably by no inexcusable fault of their own, are denied the full benefit of Lodge privileges, for through financial inability they have failed to pay Lodge dues, and therefore have been dropped from the roll of members. While their age and physical abilities would permit of competition with their fellows for wealth and honors, they neither required nor accepted benefits. For many years they labored in the vineyard. For many years they have borne the heat and burden of the day. For many years they contributed to the Lodge fund, and for many years they have helped to feed the poor, educate the orphan, and protect the lonely widow.

Their life career has been a struggle between fortune and misfortune, and finally misfortune has prevailed. Now that these brethren require all their income for the support of themselves and those dependent upon them, it seems to me that it would only be confirming a Masonic principle to enact some rule or law by which this class of brethren shall enjoy all Lodge rights and immunities.

Endow them, and all who shall come after them, after arriving at a certain age, with all these privileges, not in charity, but as an inalienable right for a life of faithful services rendered. National gratitude prompts the pensioning of faithful soldiers, and an upright son welcomes to his hearth and home an aged and infirm parent. Shall we be less considerate towards those whom we love and honor? With these suggestions I leave the matter with you.

Grand Master PRESTON speaks a good word in behalf of the Committees on Correspondence, and deems their reports among the most valuable treasures of the Craft. In conclusion, he says that “the statistics show a healthy growth, and our future is bright and promising, if we are but true to the principles of our institution and true to ourselves.”

The Grand Secretary reports that the finances of the Grand Lodge are in a healthy condition, with a small balance in the treasury. He recommends a reduction of the *per capita* tax on the Lodges for representative expenses, from one dollar to fifty cents per member. The Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba was fraternally recognized.

The following questions were asked by one of the brethren, and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence:—

1. Can a candidate having lost one or more fingers of either hand, or an eye, or one or more toes—in general, can a man maimed, lame, halt, or blind receive the degrees of Masonry with or without dispensation from any Masonic power having jurisdiction in the case?

2. Can a candidate who is well known to be addicted to gambling in public saloons, or who depends for his living solely by keeping a dram-shop, be said to come “under the tongue of good report,” or “coming well recommended?”

3. What rule should be announced to the subordinate Lodges under this jurisdiction as a guide in the selection of candidates who are or may be accused of such practices as above indicated; and what penalty, if any, should be inflicted against subordinate Lodges for a failure or want of care in guarding the door of Masonry against parties thus accused?

The committee reported them back for reference to the Grand Master elect, to report thereon at the next Annual Communication. It is evident that the brother means somebody in his questions.

The W. Grand Orator, Bro. ELISHA P. FERRY, delivered an address "on the rise and progress of operative and speculative Masonry, and on the purposes and design of speculative Masonry, as embodied in the rituals and teachings of the Order." A copy was requested for publication in the proceedings, but was not furnished.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by the Grand Secretary. Our brother begins well and "runs well" for a time, but, as the elder WELLER says, "pulls up rayther sudden" at North Carolina, thus giving us a report of only forty pages. The reasons for this brevity are thus stated:—

The committee have made but a partial review of the proceedings received from other Grand Lodges since our last Annual Communication. Two principal causes have operated to bring about this result. First, our knowledge was only presumptive, at best, that the Grand Lodge would feel justified at this session in removing the restrictions which, for the past three years, have greatly abridged the labor, and confined the committee's report to almost the bare acknowledgement of proceedings from other Grand Bodies, and the collation of statistics, etc.; secondly, while in view of this contingency, the committee have really felt that they have had no time to waste, or to spend for a useless purpose; yet, pressed with an urgency almost irresistible from many brethren, "to go ahead with a general review and report," we made a commencement some two months ago. But unfortunately, severe illness in our family, requiring personal attention to the sick, arrested our progress. This, with other pressing business engagements, has so completely occupied the time we had intended to have devoted to this labor, that we have come short of our purpose in the examination of the matter under review—a necessary contingent upon a good report,—and have measurably failed in our efforts to present such a well digested review as it was desirable to make; but crude and imperfect as it is, we plead for your charitable consideration, and submit the report for what it is worth.

For his illness and other troubles Bro. REED has our cordial sympathy, but we have none for the Grand Lodge if it adheres to such a stupid resolution as is indicated above.

Bro. REED does full justice to our own proceedings for 1876, quoting from, and highly commending the Address of Grand Master BROWNE. He has also a kindly word for the oration of Bro. BONTE and our own report for that year.

There are twenty-two Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of eight hundred and eight. The M. W. ROBERT CROSBY HILL was elected Grand Master and the R. W. THOMAS M. REED was re-elected Grand Secretary.

WEST VIRGINIA.

The Grand Lodge of West Virginia commenced its thirteenth Annual Communication in the city of Martinsburg, on the thirteenth day of November, 1877,—the M. W. GEORGE W. ATKINSON, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. ODELL S. LONG being Grand Secretary. Seventy-one Lodges were represented, being all in the jurisdiction except five.

The Grand Master opens his Address with congratulations to the Craft, and thanks to the Divine Ruler, that no pestilence had visited them, nor were there any visible marks of the Divine displeasure resting upon them as a society or as individuals. And, though no new Lodge had been established during the year, the "Order was in as healthy and flourishing a condition within the jurisdiction as could be expected during the prevailing hard times, in a financial point of view."

As but little official business had demanded his attention, or called for special notice at the Communication, the Grand Master favored the Grand Lodge with some excellent and well expressed suggestions on Masonry in general, and its use and value.

"Monsieur TONSON" made his bow to the Grand Master in the shape of that everlasting question of "loss of fingers," etc. Here is the way the Grand Master and Grand Lodge disposed of the querulous old gentleman. First the Grand Master—

Decided for *Wheeling* Lodge, No. 5. that W. T. EMBLEM could not be made a Mason because all of the fingers of his left hand were off, and a part of the thumb, was also off, and the hand was otherwise disabled, so as to render it comparatively useless as a member. It was afterwards represented to me that I had been, to a certain extent, misinformed as to the facts of the case, and, in order to render ample justice in the case, I referred the matter to District Deputy Grand Master ROSENBERG,

with the request that he make personal examination into the facts in the case and apply the rule adopted by the last Grand Lodge thereto. He thought, after an examination into the facts, that the applicant could be admitted under said rule.

On this case the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence reported as follows:—

In regard to the decision in the case of W. T. EMBLEM, your committee, while not deeming it necessary to express an opinion in the case, does question the propriety of the action of the Grand Master in delegating his authority and prerogatives to be exercised by another.

The Grand Lodge at first adopted the report, of which this was one of the items, but subsequently reconsidered its action and ordered this particular paragraph to be stricken therefrom. So the matter is left practically undecided and will probably come up next year in the shape of a frozen toe or something equally bad.

The Grand Secretary submitted an able and full report. One of the duties imposed upon him is to distribute one copy of bound proceedings to each Lodge in the jurisdiction. As he had but fifty-nine copies of them of four specified years, and there are seventy-six Lodges to receive each a copy, he was puzzled to know how he was to comply. The Grand Lodge helped him out by ordering ten copies to be retained in his office, and the remainder to be distributed as far as they would go, "beginning with the youngest Lodge."

Suitable resolutions were passed in honor of the late R. W. JOHN DOVE, who, for many years, was Grand Secretary of the whole of "Old Virginia."

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence, submitted by the Grand Secretary, like that from Ohio, already noticed, is *sui generis*. In giving his reasons for so brief and peculiar a report, Bro. LONG flings a stone at somebody. It did not hit us, for we lay no claim to "eloquence, wit, and wisdom," nor do our coats ache from any elephantine tread thereon:—

Your committee has been in receipt of the proceedings of the several Grand Lodges with which this Grand Lodge has been in fraternal correspondence during the past year, and has thoroughly enjoyed their perusal. The eloquence and wit and wisdom displayed in the several addresses and reports, have not been unnoticed nor unenjoyed, but the "unavoidable circumstances," of which mention has been made, have prevented the preparation of such a review as would do justice to all. It has been said by some sagacious observer, (probably an old bachelor), that ladies indulge in extravagance of dress, not to please their husbands, or attract lovers, but mainly to excite the envy of their less favored sisters. Whether this theory be true or not, as regards the ladies of our acquaintance, we have not the temerity to say; but it has sometimes seemed to us that the Committees on Foreign Correspondence in some of the Grand Lodges prepared their reports with a view to foreign consumption, rather than to supply the home market, and that the anxiety to overwhelm and outshine a rival committee in a distant State, outranked the purpose of furnishing for home consumption an intelligent statement of the condition of the Craft in sister jurisdictions. If, in this statement, we tread on anybody's toes, we cannot help it, and, with all due deference—we stand there still.

On the question of recognition of one of the rival Grand Lodges in the Island of Cuba, Bro. LONG suggests that the matter be deferred until more light can be obtained. He then quotes in full the report of Bro. BOWEN, of Nebraska, relative to the practices of different jurisdictions, as to the care of sojourning and sick Masons, and makes his bow. Try again next year, Bro. LONG; you can turn out better work than this if you do try.

There are seventy-six Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of three thousand three hundred and sixty-five.

The M. W. GEORGE BAIRD was elected Grand Master and the R. W. ODELL S. LONG was re-elected Grand Secretary.

WISCONSIN.

The thirty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin was held in the city of Milwaukee, on the twelfth day of June, 1877,—the M. W. JEDD. P. C. COTTRILL, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. JOHN W. WOODHULL being Grand Secretary. One hundred and seventy Lodges were represented.

Grand Master COTTRILL presented an Address which is as excellent and timely as those which had already emanated from the same pen. He had granted dispensations for four new Lodges. He had visited many of the Lodges during the year, and found them generally prosperous and harmonious. Among other things he had decided that "an Entered Apprentice who had not applied for advancement for nine years, and had in the mean time lost his right hand, was ineligible for advancement." This decision is somewhat ambiguous in its language. If the Grand Master meant that the prolonged delay had disqualified the Entered Apprentice for advancement, we should be inclined to say, "served him right;" but if for the other reason, we do not believe the decision is either sound law or justice. An analogous case was very generally discussed several years since in Grand Lodges, and, although diversity of opinion and decisions prevailed, the preponderance, and as we believe rightly, was in favor of advancing the maimed Mason—because he *was* a Mason. The principle underlying this decision would prevent a Master Mason who had lost his right arm from visiting a Lodge, for reasons palpable to every Mason. Would Grand Master COTTRILL go that length?

He also decided that "a wife was a competent witness against her husband in a Masonic trial." Right; and why not also *for* a husband. Cannot a Lodge or Commission be trusted with discretion in passing upon such evidence, *pro* as well as *con*? Often the wife is the only one who can tell or explain the whole truth, and we say, permit her to do it. *Fiat justitia, ruat cælum.*

The Grand Secretary complains of the dilatoriness of Lodges in sending in their annual reports. They are due on the first of January, and yet only ten thus complied. Fourteen were not received until May, and some were still delinquent. Give them a little more of Bro. ABELL's medicine, Bro. WOODHULL; it works well here. He also called attention to the "dangerous condition of their archives," and the Grand Lodge responded by definite action thereon.

Complaint was made by this Grand Lodge against that of Illinois, for taking no action on the complaint of the former, that a subordinate of the latter had infringed upon the rights of Wisconsin in conferring the degrees upon one H. M. SPRAGUE.

A resolution was adopted by which the "Committee on Correspondence was allowed \$15 additional compensation on account of the briefness of the report." Is not this, to use the language of the celebrated ARTEMUS WARD, "sarkastikal?"

The so-called "Grand Lodge of Ontario" was repudiated, and action on the application of the Grand Lodge of the Island of Cuba was postponed until the next Communication.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the Grand Secretary, who compresses, within the compass of fifty pages, a review of the proceedings of forty-seven Grand Lodges, thus allowing about a page to each. California has one paragraph over that average allowance. Bro. WOODHULL is very complimentary in his notice of our proceedings.

There are one hundred and eight Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of ten thousand six hundred and eighty-eight. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary were both re-elected.

WYOMING.

The third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of our young sister jurisdiction of Wyoming was held in Evanston, on the ninth day of October, 1877,—the M. W. FREDERIC E. ADDOMS, Grand Master, presiding, and the R. W. WILLIAM G. TONN being Grand Secretary. Four Lodges only were represented; but let no brother despise this "day of small things." There was a time, and that only a quarter of a century ago, when the Grand Lodge of California was no larger.

The Grand Master submitted an Address, of reasonable length, well written, and containing excellent advice and suggestions to the brethren. Peace and good fellowship had prevailed throughout the jurisdiction, and, though not advancing with

great strides, still they were "increasing in numbers and influence." They "had laid the Masonic foundations deep and strong, and were building the superstructure upon it with care and deliberation, and upon the broad principles of morality, virtue, and truth."

On the "new departure," in the wrong direction, of the Grand Orient of France, the Grand Master has these appropriate words:—

The action of the Grand Orient of France, in declaring that it is not necessary that a candidate for Masonry should express or entertain a belief in Deity, and that an atheist may be initiated into Masonry and is entitled to its rights and privileges, will tend to effectually isolate her from the great body of Masons spread over the surface of the Globe. We are taught to place our trust in God. The belief in the existing attributes of a Supreme being is the very groundwork of our Institution. It is the key-stone of our faith. Any attempt to eliminate this governing principle of our fraternity from its code of morality and religion must meet with the reprobation it so justly deserves from all the American Grand Lodges.

And on the "Color Question," the Grand Master offers these sound and judicious remarks:—

In my opinion, when a candidate for Masonry properly presents himself and seeks admission, the door of Masonry is as open to the colored man of this as of any other country, when he shall have fully complied with all the requirements of this Institution, and when he is possessed of the necessary qualifications for an induction into its rites and mysteries. Subject to the same objections and amenable to the same laws, he must enter and pass through the same door and kneel at the same altar we all have.

Contenting myself with the expression of this individual opinion, and without desiring to influence or predetermine the action of this Grand Lodge, it seems to me incumbent upon the American Grand Lodges to stamp with disapprobation the attempt which is being made to establish two Grand Lodges within the territory and jurisdiction of the State of Ohio.

On the strength of a most elaborate report, submitted by a committee, the Grand Lodge of Colon, in the Island of Cuba, was fraternally recognized.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was submitted by the Grand Secretary. It covers about sixty pages, and is a well written and genial notice of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges, California for 1876 being one.

There are five Lodges in the jurisdiction, with a membership of three hundred. The *M. W. ORLANDO NORTH* was elected Grand Master and the *R. W. WILLIAM G. TONN* was re-elected Grand Secretary.

FOREIGN GRAND BODIES.

In making the following abstract of the proceedings of Foreign Grand Bodies, we are mainly indebted to Bro. JOHN W. SIMONS, chairman of the Committee on Correspondence in New York, and Bro. GEORGE S. BLACKIE, holding the same position in Tennessee. The last named brother has traveled extensively in Europe during the last half dozen years, and his comments are those of an eye and ear witness. We begin with—

ENGLAND.

Bro. SIMONS gives us this summary:—

We have the transactions at the usual Quarterly Communications of the Mother Grand Lodge, but find in them nothing of general interest, save the fact of its splendid charities, and the careful administration of the brethren in charge. Our English brethren not only give with a liberal hand, but with a ready cheerfulness that enhances the gift. More than this, it is understood that the loss to the Grand Lodge, by the failure of the banking house with which the Grand Treasurer was connected, will be promptly made good by private subscriptions. No fail in their vocabulary.

On the French Grand Orient movement, the Grand Lodge of England has adopted the following resolutions, prefaced by a copy of the law as it was, thus:—

"Freemasonry, an institution essentially philanthropic, philosophical, and progressive, has for its object the inquiry after truth, the study of universal morality, sciences and arts, and the practice of benevolence.

"1. Its principles are the existence of God, the immortality of the soul, and human solidarity.

"2. It regards liberty of conscience as the common right of every man, and excludes no person on account of his belief.

"3. Its motto is Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity."

And as amended and now reads, thus:—

"Freemasonry, an institution essentially philanthropic, philosophical, and progressive, has for its object the inquiry after truth, the study of universal morality, science and arts, and the practice of benevolence.

"1. Its principles are absolute liberty of conscience and human solidarity.

"2. It excludes no person on account of his belief.

"3. Its motto is Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity."

"The committee have carefully considered this action on the part of the Grand Orient of France, and, having regard to all circumstances of the case they have unanimously agreed to recommend the following resolutions for the adoption of Grand Lodge:—

"1st Resolution. That this Grand Lodge views with profound regret the step taken by the Grand Orient of France in thus removing from its Constitution those paragraphs which assert a belief in the existence of T. G. A. O. T. U., because such an alteration is opposed to the traditions, practice, and feelings of all 'true and genuine' Masons from the earliest to the present time.

"2d Resolution. That this Grand Lodge, whilst always anxious to receive in the most fraternal spirit the brethren of any Foreign Grand Lodge whose proceedings are conducted according to the Ancient Landmarks of the Order, of which a belief in T. G. A. O. T. U. is the first and most important, cannot recognize as 'true and genuine' brethren any who have been initiated in Lodges which either deny or ignore that belief.

"3d Resolution. That in view of the foregoing resolutions the Worshipful Masters of all Lodges holding under the Grand Lodge of England be directed not to admit any foreign brother as a visitor unless—

"First, He is duly vouched for or unless his certificate shows that he has been initiated according to the Ancient rites and ceremonies in a Lodge professing belief in T. G. A. O. T. U.; and

"Second, Not unless he himself shall acknowledge that this belief is an essential landmark of the Order.

"4th Resolution. That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be transmitted to the Grand Lodges of Scotland and Ireland, to each Grand Lodge with which this Grand Lodge is in communication, and to the Worshipful Masters of all Lodges holding under the Grand Lodge of England; and that it be an instruction to the Worshipful Master of each Lodge to read these resolutions at the first meeting of his Lodge after the reception thereof, and to direct that they shall be entered upon the minutes."

Bro. BLACKIE adds these items of interest:—

At the June Communication, in 1876, regulations were adopted in regard to the Charity Jewel, which seems a very profitable money making method of flattering the pardonable vanities of ambitious Masons. The pension annuities to aged Freemasons and widows were increased. A resolution expressive of the thanks of the Grand Lodge to Almighty God for the safe return of the Grand Master from India was adopted. A considerable discussion arose on the proposition to present, in memory of this event, £1,000 each towards the restoration of the two Churches which are most intimately connected with the history of Freemasonry in England, St. Paul's Cathedral, and St. Alban's Abbey. It was reported that there were no debts, an income of £11,500, and an expenditure of £6,500. The proposition was modified into "that a special Committee be appointed to consider the best mode in which this feeling (of gratitude) can be perpetuated in some charitable form," which was adopted at the Quarterly Communication in September, being the only business of importance done at that time.

At the December Communication a stop was put to the issue of circulars on the part of proposed new Lodges, prior to consecration, inviting members of the Craft to become joining members of said Lodges. Such an offence in future is to be punished by a withdrawal of the warrant. At the Communication in March, 1877, at which we notice the presence of our friend, the M. W. Colonel JOHN W. LAURIE, Grand Master of Nova Scotia, a resolution was adopted voting the sum of £4,000 to the Royal National Life Boat Institution, for the purpose of founding and furnishing two Life Boat Stations, in perpetuity, on the coast of England. A committee was appointed to confer with the officers of the Life Boat Association as to the places to be selected, and it was further resolved that a memorial tablet be erected in Grand Lodge in commemoration of the return of the Prince from India, and the establishment of the Life Boats. A portrait of the Prince of Wales, painted for one of the compartments of the Grand Lodge, by Bro. DESAUGES, was presented to Grand Lodge. The Prince of Wales was again elected Grand Master "with acclamation." Two Lodges were fined one guinea for the offense of passing and raising Masons at a

shorter interval than that prescribed by the Book of Constitutions. A motion was made to commence work to found a new Masonic Temple on the Thames Embankment, to be a credit to the city of London, and to which the citizens could point with pride, as do those of New York and Philadelphia to their halls; but it was not seconded. A number of appeal cases were disposed of, and the rest of the proceedings were of a domestic nature. The number of Lodges in the jurisdiction is one thousand six hundred and forty-nine, and of members, one hundred and one thousand two hundred and thirty-four.

At the Communication of the sixth of June, 1877, a full statement of the Life Boat transaction was made by the acting Grand Master; a new Board of General Purposes was recognized; a provision was made in the regulations of the Royal Benevolent Institution, whereby the widow of a Master Mason marrying again, and again becoming a widow should be eligible as a candidate; and funds were set apart to provide the institution with coals for the winter. A Lodge was fined one guinea for passing a brother to the second degree in twenty-five days, and the brother was ordered to be re-obligated. The contributions to the funds of benevolence and general purposes for the quarter amount to nearly £11,000.

Grand Master, the Prince of Wales; Grand Secretary, JOHN HERVEY, Great Queen St., London. The Duke of Connaught and Prince LEOPOLD, brothers of the Prince of Wales, are the Grand Wardens.

SCOTLAND.

Bro. BLACKIE has the following:—

We have received the recently published numbers of the "Grand Lodge of Scotland Reporter," and several other printed documents.

Several brethren were under trial for holding Masonic relations with the *Melrose* Lodge, which, as our brethren may not be aware, has never affiliated with the Grand Lodge of Scotland, nor acknowledged its sovereignty. The death of the Right Hon. Lord JAMES MURRAY, the Deputy Grand Master, was announced in June, 1874. He was a brave soldier and excellent man and Mason, an esteemed personal friend of ours, and the Representative of the Scottish Rite of the Southern Jurisdiction, U. S., in Scotland. An impostor, traveling in Michigan, claiming to belong to the Lodge *Roman Eagle*, No. 160, of Scotland, and calling himself EUGENE HAMBURGER, was exposed. The death of the Past Grand Master, the Earl of Dalhousie, a great Scottish chief and leader in educational matters, whom we revered as our father's old friend, was feelingly alluded to in August, while in October a funeral Grand Lodge, in honor of the two deceased nobles, was held at Edinburgh with great magnificence, and attended by upwards of a thousand members of Grand Lodges. Among other distinguished Masons reported as deceased, there occurs the name of Bro. Dr. SOMERVILLE, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, a high Masonic authority in Scotland. Bro. Major W. HAMILTON RAMSAY, of Garion, Grand Representative of Tennessee, was elected Senior Grand Warden. From St. Andrew's day, 1874, until February, 1877, the history of the Grand Lodge of Scotland is unwritten as yet. We are informed that the Annual proceedings will in due time be published. We wish to say little regarding the cause of the derangement of business. It has been most harassing to the Grand Lodge, most perplexing to the other jurisdictions, and a matter of much pain to ourselves. Besides his neglect of Foreign Correspondence, and his permitting external and internal affairs of Masonry to fall into disrepute, the Grand Secretary became involved in serious money difficulties, and the matter proceeded so far that on the seventh of November, an interim cashier was appointed to take charge of the returns and the money affairs of the Grand Lodge. The Grand Secretary, feeling himself incompetent, resigned last February, and the Grand Master appointed R. W. Bro. D. MURRAY LYON, an eminent jurist and historian, a man who honors the position as much as it honors him, to fill the place. Under the new regime affairs have been going on admirably. The work to be done is tedious, but is progressing. Our own negotiations for the recognition of the Grand Lodges of Missouri and New York, have been successfully terminated, and with them South Carolina, Western Virginia, and Louisiana have been recognized, so that Tennessee no longer stands alone. The subordinate Lodges have taken heart, the Fund of Benevolence is increased, the accounts are being straightened out by two experienced accountants, the late Grand Secretary is being retained on a salary to assist in the investigations, and ere this is printed all will be well. The roll of members for April second, 1877, has been published, which shows the number of Lodges to be six hundred and ten, one hundred and twenty-seven of which were not reported in the last Grand Lodge.

IRELAND.

Bro. BLACKIE says:—

We have received the "Irish Freemason's Calendar and Directory for 1877," published by authority, and the four papers published by this Grand Lodge, which prints less of its transactions than any English speaking Grand Body. We learn from

them little more than the names of the Grand Officers and Grand Bodies in correspondence. Among the latter are New York, Virginia, Illinois, Tennessee, and Alabama, with the Dominion Grand Lodges of Canada, Nova Scotia, Quebec, and New Brunswick. The Grand Lodge has thirteen Provincial Grand Lodges in Ireland, four in the Australian Colonies, and one in New Zealand. There are seven hundred and sixty-five subordinate Lodges, only three hundred and sixty-seven of which are active. The year's income was £5,817. The amount granted for charities was £191, and for committee dinners of the Committee on Charity, £149, which does not look well. The number of members is not given, but there were one hundred and one "struck from the rolls," two suspended, one expelled, fourteen restored. Eleven warrants for new Lodges were granted, three warrants restored, and one suspended.

Grand Master, His Grace the Duke of Abercorn; Grand Secretary, Viscount BERNARD; Deputy Grand Secretary, SAMUEL B. OLDHAM, Freemason's Hall, Molesworth street, Dublin. The Grand Lodge and the city of Dublin have sustained a severe loss in the recent death of Bro. Professor HENRY WILSON, a man of eminence in the medical profession, a citizen of the highest worth, and a Mason of established reputation. He was our friend from our earliest days, and our host, both in Masonic and social life, on a recent stay of some weeks in Dublin. Our Grand Representative, THOMAS BRUNKER, writes that he is well and lively as ever, and ready to greet all Tennesseans who visit his fair city with a salute of eleven.

At the stated Communication of this Grand Lodge, held in November last, the following resolution was adopted:—

"Whereas, The Grand Lodge of Ireland has received official notification that the Grand Orient of France has altered the first article of its Constitution, from its previous form, and omitted therefrom, as one of its fundamental principles, a belief in the existence of God and the immortality of the soul, the Grand Lodge of Ireland hereby

"Resolves, That the Grand Orient of France, having by such alteration rendered admissible as members of Lodges within its jurisdiction individuals who do not believe in the existence of a personal Deity, has thereby caused a breach in the foundations of Ancient Masonry, and acted in violation of the first great principle of the Order; and therefore the Grand Lodge of Ireland hereby declares that it cannot continue to recognize the Grand Orient of France as a Masonic body, and directs all Lodges working under the Irish Constitution to decline receiving as Masons any person hailing from the Grand Orient of France, or from any subordinate Lodge under its jurisdiction."

BRAZIL.

We have the "Boletim do Grande Oriente Unido e Supremo Conselho do Brazil" for 1876, a large volume of 859 pages, which is filled with information, statistical and otherwise, chiefly of the bodies of the Scottish Rite. We are sorry to see that the place of the Grand Representative at Tennessee is reported as "*vago*," vacant. We thought, Bro. de AMARAL, that we filled it pretty well. We are sure that Brother JOAN D'ILLION E SILVA, our Representative at Rio Janerio, never complained of us. Masonry is making great progress in the jurisdiction. We find that there are one hundred and ninety-three Lodges, one hundred and eleven Chapters, five Grand Bodies, one Reference Council, and one Grand Orient, making in all three hundred and eleven Masonic Bodies, and all doing good work, acting in perfect harmony. The Grand Orient is in correspondence with the Supreme Councils of France, Charleston, Turin, Switzerland, Peru, Belgium, Scotland, Venezuela, and Argentine Republic; with the Grand Orient of Egypt, France, New Grenada, Portugal, and Hungary, and almost all the Grand Lodges of America and Europe. At the placing of the corner-stone of the Temple at Porto Alegre, in the Province of Rio Grande of the South, a Masonic procession was witnessed for the first time circulating freely in the principal streets of the city. There was much pomp and display, and no opposing civil interruption. This is owing to the intervention of the learned men who have joined the Craft, and are publishing Masonic information by means of no fewer than five newspapers of the fraternity. This particular province contains a population of 450,000 inhabitants, among them 60,000 Protestant Germans. With the Province San Panto, it distinguishes itself in the fight against papal aggression. These two provinces have more public schools than any other; popular lectures on scientific subjects are given; they have circulating and free libraries; and the press is in a sound condition. The papal allocutions trouble some of the country, but not where Freemasonry and generous, good men are to be found. The Lodge at Bahia founded, on the day of its installation of officers, an orphan asylum, and bought sixty slaves to be liberated. M. LOPEZ, a member of the Lodge, donated to the slaves the means for further subsistence. The Constitution of the Grand Body forbids the initiation of anyone who is a slaveholder, or who raises or imports slaves. The difficulty of the contending bodies seems to have been settled.

EGYPT.

We have the "Memfi Risorta, Bolletino Officiale del Grande Oriente Nazionale Egiziano," for 1876 and to June 1877. We have also a copy of the Statutes and Regulations of the Grand Orient of Egypt, printed in Italian and Arabic. This body is in a flourishing condition. It has been recognized by the Grand Lodge of Egypt, the Supreme Council of Luxembourg, and several other bodies. We have the notice of the inauguration and consecration of the Masonic Temple at Alexandria, in January, 1876, where the ceremonies were carried on with great pomp. The Grand Orient also sent us a copy of a circular letter congratulating American Masons on their progress, and seizing the opportunity of the Centennial Fourth of July to congratulate specially all their brethren in America. The Grand Lodge of Scotland recognized the body in November, 1876, and that of Ireland a few days later. The Grand Lodge of Denmark also granted recognition in March, 1877. The June number contains a long memoir of Brother FRANK GOULEY, and the circumstances of his death, with a copy of the inscription in the Book of Gold, inscribed to his memory, and of the letter addressed to his unhappy widow. Brother GOULEY had been in correspondence with them in regard to colored Grand Lodges and the Grand Orient of France, and had labored for the recognition of the Grand Orient. California has also extended recognition.

FRANCE.

Although our edict of non-intecourse with Masonry in France is still in force, and probably will be for an indefinite time to come, it may be a matter of historical interest to know what that Grand Orient is doing. We therefore quote the following from Bro BLACKIE's report:—

The "Bulletin du Grand Orient of France" continues to arrive here with unbroken regularity each calendar month. France is still obstinate, and determined to hold her own in regard to the Louisiana matter. Although the rights of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana were completely vindicated at the Lausanne Congress, yet the Grand Orient has not yielded a point. It is true another committee of inquiry was appointed, but without any report as yet. We doubt not, if it ever does come, it will be promptly tabled, unless it is full of "the warmest and most fraternal" greetings to the spurious body. Indeed, the Grand Orient has continued its work by recognizing, as legitimate Masonic powers, the Grand Lodges of Colored Masons of Ohio and Missouri, and has exchanged Representatives with them. The report of the committee on their application is full of—well, unfounded statements. A remonstrance has been received from a Lodge in Marseilles, calling attention to the inconveniences resulting to French Masons abroad from the rupture of American relations, but it will do no good. The Supreme Council and the Grand Orient are now at loggerheads. The proposition to strike out of Article 1, of the Constitution, the words declaring belief in the existence of God and the immortality of the soul, was discussed and referred back to the Lodges for further consideration. There are also propositions to dispense with kneeling at the altar, to give the sign of d—— to Entered Apprentice Masons, to dispense with using of the ballot, etc. There is one trouble common to all of us—France has 332 brethren suspended for non-payment of dues. There are in operation 258 Lodges, 33 Chapters, 14 Councils, 1 College of Rites, and 1 Consistory; in all, 307 bodies. Of the Lodges, 46 are in Paris, and 40 in the colonies and foreign countries.

In reference to the adoption of the new amendment to the Constitution, Bro. SIMONS, of New York, has these few well expressed sentences:—

At the annual assembly in September last, the amendment was adopted by a decisive majority, (for its terms see *Ante*, under England,) and a committee was named to revise the rituals, to the end of making them conform to the new Constitution. It was claimed in the debate that the object of the amendment was not to deny the existence of God, but to place French Masonry on the plane of the widest toleration, refusing admission to no man for his opinions. It is only necessary for us to remark that, so far as Masonry is concerned, there is a limit to toleration—a distinction between liberty and license. The very corner-stone of the institution, as it has come down to us from the fathers, is the belief in the existence of one ever-living and true God, not as a theory of sectarianism, but as a universal principle of all religion and all morality. Given a belief in the existence of God, the Creator and Ruler of the universe, Masonry neither desires nor permits any inquiry into the creed of its adherents. They may be Jews or Moslems or Christians; they may accept Mahomet or Confucius or Jesus Christ, and there is nothing to be said; but certain it is that one who denies the existence of God cannot be made a Mason. Freemasonry is neither a form of worship nor a sect, for it respects the opinions of all men; but having adopted in the beginning the belief to which we have alluded, it can permit no toler-

ation that goes beyond it. Hence the belief stated in a previous report that, when the Grand Orient eliminated from its Constitution the most essential principle of Masonic being, it ceased to be a Masonic organization, and, being such, its further proceedings can have nothing in common with our own.

We do not deem it necessary to make any special recommendation. Our official relations with the Grand Orient have long since been severed on other grounds, and it does not appear needful that our Grand Lodge should command the brethren to a duty which their own good sense and inherent love of the institution will suffice to point out to them.

GERMAN GRAND LODGE LEAGUE.

Bro. SIMONS gives us the following information :—

No official protocol of the Diet of the German Grand Lodges' League, held at Dresden, May 30th, 1877, has been received. We are highly indebted to the kindness of our Representative near the Grand Lodge of Saxony, the *R. W. Brother* VON MENSCH, for the following information :—

Present, by representatives :—

1. The Grand Landes Lodge of Freemasons in Germany, Berlin.
2. The Grand Lodge of Prussia, "Royal York zur Freundschaft."
3. The Grand Lodge of Hamburg.
4. The Grand Lodge "Zur Sonne," Bayreuth.
5. The Grand Lodge of Saxony, Dresden.
6. The Grand National Mother Lodge of the Eclectic Union, Frankfort-on-the-Main.

7. The Grand Lodge "Zur Eintracht," Darmstadt.
8. The Grand National Mother Lodge, "Zu den drei Weltkugeln," Berlin.

The above Grand Lodges of Germany were each represented by two or three brothers, amongst whom were seven Grand Masters and one Deputy Grand Master.

The Lodge "Zu den drei Schwerten," working under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Saxony, endeavored, in the year 1875, to establish a uniform procedure in the German Grand Lodges regarding the age at which persons desiring to join our fraternity might be admitted, and proposed the age of twenty-four years, but sons of Masons at an earlier age.

The Grand Lodge of Saxony had finally and unanimously decided that the completed twenty-first year should be the age for admission, making an exception for the sons of Masons, and appointing the eighteenth year for their admission; and had moved, at the meeting of the Grand Lodge League in 1876, to fix a rule in regard to this matter for the whole of Germany.

Although there was a general desire expressed for fixing a standard age for admission, after long debates, which took place in the meetings of the Grand Lodge League this year, and notwithstanding the acknowledged beneficial influence and the great advantages which, by admission into our fraternity, were granted to younger brothers who devote themselves to their studies at different Universities, or go on board of ships about the world, such uniformity of action could not be agreed upon, for it was found almost impossible to compel the Lodges of Germany, in their independence, to change in any way their different by-laws.

They did not regard it as a misfortune, but thought it even better if ripier, more experienced, and better situated men joined the fraternity of Freemasons, than too young people, not quite conscious of their self-dependence.

The Prussian Grand Lodges were very scrupulous as to the admission of any candidate before the completion of his twenty-fifth year.

The Grand Lodge "Zur Sonne, in Bayreuth," proposed a common representation of the eight German Grand Lodges near foreign Grand Lodges by one representative; and in regard to it submitted a rule, which was to be the next subject in the regular order of business at the Grand Lodge Diet.

But the Grand Lodge, when making this motion, felt that to carry out such a proposition would be very difficult as long as there were in Germany eight Grand Lodges, each one having special interests which could hardly be represented by one common representative near the foreign Grand Lodges; and for that reason it was in favor of sending representatives of each Grand Lodge near a foreign Grand Lodge.

This fundamental idea was in this way ventilated, and as the form of examination, instruction, the expenses, election, etc., of one general representative has not yet been settled, they fully appreciated the principal idea of the motion, but dropped it and proceeded to the regular order of business.

GRAND LODGE OF "THE THREE GLOBES," BERLIN.

Bro. SIMONS furnishes these items of interest :—

The session of March 22d, *M. W.* Bro. ZSCHIESCHE presiding, was held for the purpose of celebrating the eighty-first birthday of the most illustrious Protector,

His Majesty, the Emperor of Germany and King of Prussia. All the Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge "Royal York zur Freundschaft," and many brethren of the Grand Lodge were present.

After having opened the Grand Lodge in ample form, the Grand Master addressed the brethren as follows:—

"*M. W., R. W., and beloved Brothers*:—Undivided joy and true Masonic gladness shall and will reign in this hall to-day, for we have met to celebrate a festival as it never was celebrated in our Fatherland since it enjoyed the happiness of being blissfully governed by the house of HOHENZOLLERN. A ruler, gifted with every good quality of the heart, wise, affectionate, and active, highly favored by the Great Architect of the Universe, completes to-day the eightieth year of his much agitated life in God-blessed health and vigor. What he has been to his people, what to Prussia, yea, what he has been and still is to the whole of Germany, the annals of Prussia and Germany will relate; and the history of our great Emperor and King, WILLIAM I., will be read when centuries have passed by, and they will refer again and again to the heroic form of our veteran King, whom we, his contemporaries, are so happy to see face to face.

"It is not the place here to enumerate the heroic deeds of our most excellent Prince; they are still alive in our memory; but, as members of our beloved Fatherland, we shall always feel, and particularly to-day, the great happiness we have been favored with, to be witnesses of the heroic deeds done hand in hand by our King and people.

"If we exult at that, our joy will be doubled by knowing that our King is at the same time the illustrious protector and defender of our fraternity, that we may call him, from the bottom of our hearts, brother, not on account of being placed at the head of our fraternity, but because he has proved himself to be by all his actions a true and genuine Freemason. Indeed, my brethren, he has acknowledged the pillars of our Temple, Wisdom, Beauty, and Strength, to be the foundation of every human action; and, therefore, we find in his endeavors, crowned by so rich and blissful a success always, wisdom united with love and persevering strength and energy to accomplish the designs he aimed at for the welfare of the country, intrusted to him by the Lord.

"In all his manifold cares and troubles, almost too much for one man's strength, in all his labors, straining every nerve of his body and mind, he has never forgotten his duty as a brother, which he assumed voluntarily. Has he not often expressed how great his love and affection is for the fraternity, how much he enjoyed being a link in the chain of brothers, trusting in the earnest desire of the brotherhood to be and to remain true to the spirit of Freemasonry.

"And who of us, my brothers, would not like to be led on this way? Let the spirit of our brotherhood always be our leader! Not the form, not external ceremonies, not antiquated usages can nor may hold us in chains when searching for light and truth. Therefore we are called and are Freemasons, and in this signification our Master and King is such an illustrious, radiant example. His life was dedicated to prudent progress; he took in account the signs of the age, the progress in science, art, and industry; and, being a good judge of the time and its wants, he meditated with wisdom upon the means by which an everlasting happiness of his people might be established, and he applied them with all the power which will lead to a happy result.

"Well, then, my brothers, let us learn, by his illustrious example, how to work on the pillars, 'Wisdom, Beauty, and Strength,' in the narrow sphere of action allotted to us in this world; let us promise to our octogenarian ruler, our illustrious Emperor and King, who leads the way for Masons as a shining example before us, to work like him, and to work as long as there is day. Scarcely a man is so highly blessed as to reach eighty years in health and strength; but whosoever is greeted with old age, let him learn by this illustrious example that we shall work as long as we can, and never cease to strive to fulfill our calling by performing faithfully our duties on earth!"

After a fervent prayer by the Grand Master, the Grand Orator delivered a very eloquent speech, in which he referred to the Masonic merits of the Protector in glowing language.

We add also the congratulatory letter of the three Berlin Grand Lodges to His Majesty, the Emperor and King:—

"*Most Serene Emperor and King, Most Worshipful Protector*:—The anniversary of the birth of your Imperial and Royal Majesty, on which you have completed your eightieth year,—a case very rarely occurring—awakens the liveliest sympathy, not only in our own country, but in almost every part of the globe, for everywhere the high importance and the rich blessing of your Imperial and Royal Highness is well known and appreciated.

"But in the hearts of your Majesty's subjects, especially, feelings of the highest veneration, of the most fervent love and gratitude are awakened, and we, the most humble signers, take leave in the name of all the members of the three Prussian Grand Lodges and their subordinate Lodges to give a feeble but heartfelt expression to these feelings.

"God, our Lord, who has hitherto spared your Majesty's precious life so wonderfully, may grant his grace to your Highness furthermore as a blessing to your Royal family, to our beloved country, and our fraternity.

"In whose name we solemnly promise anew, that we shall always endeavor to be worthy of the confidence with which your Imperial and Royal Highness has honored us."

HUNGARY.

BRO. BLACKIE says:—

We have received copies of the Constitution and the *Aemlich Mittheilungen* (official proceedings) of the Grand Orient of Hungary from 1875 to 1877. The Grand Lodge has its station at Pesth, and has twenty-four subordinate Lodges, with nine hundred and fifty-two members. There is some trouble still as to the Supreme Masonic authority, and it is apparently divided between the Grand Lodge and the Supreme Council. Apparently the condition of Freemasonry is not satisfactory. The charitable institutions are flourishing, and a Constitution and standard work for the three degrees was adopted. But the Grand Lodge has taken steps for nearer relations with the "Prince Hall Grand Lodge, of New Bedford," (so written.) and thus has placed itself in a position where it is not likely to obtain the recognition it asks from American brethren. Relations had also been established with the Grand Orient of Luxembourg. A very curious affair occurred in the Annual Communication at Pesth, in November, 1876. The affair of the Grand Master PULSKY was prominently discussed. This was in regard to the Countess Hadick, who was made a Mason in one of the Lodges. The main point was the presence of the Grand Master in the ante-room of a Lodge under the Supreme Council of Hungary when the Countess received the Masonic degrees in the Scottish Rite. When the initiation was over, Brother PULSKY entered the Lodge without protesting against the initiation or the presence of the lady. He justified his non-action by saying that he had no right to interfere with the doings of a subordinate Lodge under the Supreme Council, and that he had often, in Italian Lodges, seen ladies participating in Lodge work. An investigation was ordered, but subsequently the matter was indefinitely postponed. Bro. PULSKY was not re-elected, and no Grand Master was elected, and the office was declared vacant. A Grand Lodge of Sorrow was held on the 31st of January, when a remarkable oration was delivered by Brother SERAPHIM—remarkable as a flow of words without originality of idea or method of presentation, and not worth printing.

ITALY.

We have several communications and letters from the Grand Orient of Italy, located at Rome. There is little new to report. The conflict with the religious power is still going on, and a circular issued to the Masonic powers implores their aid in the resistance of the oppression of the Romish Church. All over Italy movements are being made for the separation of the Symbolic Lodges from the higher degrees, and Italy is fast approaching the point of having a Grand Lodge for the Symbolic degrees and a Supreme Council for the others, as Switzerland has recently done. The Italian brethren are congratulating themselves that the new Council of Ministers in the Kingdom is largely composed of members of the fraternity.

SPAIN.

We have several communications from the Grand Orient of Spain, whose seat is at Madrid. The chief of these is one warning us of certain brethren who have declared themselves in open rebellion to the Grand Orient, and also informing us of the rapid progress of Freemasonry in that country. The document has no fewer than twelve seals for its identification, and is full of fraternal wishes and hearty pledges.

SWITZERLAND.

The great event of this body, the "Grand Lodge Alpina," which held its session in Berne in October, 1876, is the adoption of a concordat with the Supreme Council of Lausanne, by which all the Symbolic Lodges pass under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, and all the higher bodies under the Supreme Council. Thus the Grand Lodge assimilates closely to the Grand Lodges of America, who will no doubt rapidly affiliate with it. Masonry has existed in Switzerland since 1737. The Grand Lodge was founded in 1844, and has twenty-five Lodges, with one thousand seven hundred and forty-seven members.

FRANKFORT-ON-THE-MAIN.

The Lodges of the "Eclectic Union" celebrated Easter, April twenty-eighth, 1877. The Grand Lodge being opened, the Grand Master, Bro. APPEL, delivered an interesting Address, from which we clip these paragraphs, which we find in Bro. SIMONS' report:—

The question coming from the hearts of the younger brothers sounds loudly and audibly before my ears: "It shall be practiced, that we know; but is it really practiced? that we should like to know," my brothers! I give you an unequivocal, precise answer: "Freemasonry is a human institution, and as such not perfect; its members are human beings, who, when tried and initiated, are neither omniscient, nor exempt from weakness. Therefore not every Freemason is an ideal, a perfect brother; but generally and wholly brotherly love is practiced with great willingness, resignation, and sacrifice. I refrain from recounting the examples of energetic and unremitting brotherly love, which have passed my spiritual eye from the time when the Master's gavel made me a Freemason. I am unable to say how often I have seen that relief was granted before it was asked for. And for that reason my confidence is not diminished, if I should even once see that brotherly love is comprehended less ideally. The thirty years, which I have passed as a Freemason, preach audibly: 'There is such a thing as brotherly love! It is not an empty word, it is a tangible fact.'"

It stands the test, not only in trifles, coined metal, or favors, but also in the most serious situations of life. A brother Apprentice puts the question to me, "We are instructed in the sign for assistance, is that ever used?" I answer it in a few examples.

You all know how renowned the powerful, indefatigable Bavarian troops have been in the late German-French war. When the first French captives were sent to the homes of the blue devils (*diables bleus*), they were in great fear that they would be ill-treated, for they had only seen this terrible people in deadly conflict. The train stopped at the depot in Munich, which was filled by one thousand curious people; one of the captives, an officer, made a certain sign and half a dozen spectators ran to the window of the car, shook hands with the brother, assisted him in alighting, and during his whole stay the officer resided with a Mason, and found happy days where he only feared to find dread and horror. At that time the news came from Munich. A new proof of the kindness of the inhabitants of our city was given lately at the railroad depot. When the first French prisoners arrived, an officer, who expected to find in the home of the feared Bavarians only "devils," tried to awaken the sympathy of the crowd by stating that he was the son of a poor widow. Immediately citizens of this city stepped to his car, stretched out their hands, and one of them took him to his residence, etc. We, my brothers, know what the prisoner said; the profane, indeed, did not understand it.

He continued to relate similar occurrences in the year 1866, 1813, and he even traveled over to this continent, and speaks of such deeds performed in 1860, in Texas, and on July fourth, 1873, in New Haven, and concludes as follows:—

Brotherly love proves itself in the hour of danger; it duplicates joy, alleviates grief; it is the sun that spreads happiness over the whole universe, wherever brothers meet.

And why have I to-day unfolded before your eyes all these facts? Because to-day all the brothers of the four Eclectic Lodges of this Orient, and a great multitude of visiting brethren, are assembled here, and I wish to close with the admonition, "Go and do likewise!"

CONCLUSION.

Here again we lay aside our pen. Our work has been pleasant, rather than tedious, though taking up much of our time. If our present report shall prove acceptable and profitable to our Masonic readers, we shall have no regrets, as certainly we have no apologies to offer. We have done what we could, and submit this specimen of our skill for inspection. We have not tabulated the various items of Grand Lodge information, but in each review have given the number of Lodges and members. We think the total will not vary substantially from that of last year. Some jurisdictions have increased, some stood still, and others have decreased. But we believe we can say that the cause of Freemasonry moves onward. The internal, rather than the *external*, improves. And may that good work go on, until *practical* Masonry in the lives of its professors, shall be all that the theoretical is in the manuals and work. We are glad to see such uniformity of expression from Grand Masters and Grand Lodges, in reprobation of the action of the Grand Orient of France in relation to a belief in God and the Immortality of the Soul. These are, indeed, fundamentals, and if the corner-stone be displaced, the superstructure will totter and fall. We have proposed no formal action thereon on the part of our own Grand Lodge, but would suggest a concurrence in the almost unanimously expressed verdict of American and British Grand Lodges.

All which is respectfully submitted, for the committee, by

WILLIAM H. HILL, *Chairman.*

The Grand Secretary, on behalf of the officers of the Masonic Board of Relief of the City of San Francisco, presented their annual report, as follows :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

The undersigned beg leave to present the following abstract from the quarterly reports of the Masonic Board of Relief of the City of San Francisco to its constituent Lodges, made during the twelve months ending on the twenty-eighth day of September, 1878 :

Since the first Saturday in January, 1878, the Lodges of the city have been represented in the Board by their respective Masters or delegates, as follows :

<i>California</i> , No. 1, by JESSE C. REED.	<i>Pacific</i> , No. 136, by CHAS. G. EWING.
<i>Parf. Union</i> , " 17, " PHIL. G. SABATIE.	<i>Crockett</i> , " 139, " ROBT. H. BARCLAY.
<i>Occidental</i> " 22, " JAS. K. P. WILSON.	<i>Oriental</i> , " 144, " EDGAR F. PRESTON.
<i>Golden Gate</i> , " 30, " HENRY F. STIVERS.	<i>Excelsior</i> , " 166, " GEO. C. RANDALL.
<i>Mt. Moriah</i> , " 44, " MICH'L J. KEATING.	<i>Mission</i> , " 169, " C. WATERHOUSE.
<i>Fidelity</i> , " 120, " I. STRASSBURGER.	<i>So. San F.</i> " 212, " THEO. H. BLOOMER.
<i>Hermann</i> , " 127, " CHRIST'N H. VOIGT.	<i>Doric</i> , " 216, " WILLIAM MYERS.
<i>Speranza Italiana</i> , No. 219, by WM. BERETTA.	

At the first meeting in January, 1878, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year, viz. : MICHAEL J. KEATING, President; EDGAR F. PRESTON, Treasurer, and CHARLES MCQUESTEN, Secretary.

On the sixteenth day of February, 1878, the resignation of Bro. EDGAR F. PRESTON, Treasurer, was accepted, and Bro. GEORGE C. RANDALL was elected to fill the vacancy. Regular meetings of the Board have been held every Saturday evening.

The receipts of the Board from the first day of October, 1877, to the twenty-eighth day of September, 1878, inclusive, have been as follows :—

From Assessments upon the Lodges :

<i>California</i> , No. 1,.....	\$564 10	<i>Crockett</i> , No. 139,.....	\$101 60
<i>La Parfaite Union</i> , " 17,.....	134 60	<i>Oriental</i> , " 144,.....	261 00
<i>Occidental</i> , " 22,.....	289 80	<i>Excelsior</i> , " 166,.....	223 20
<i>Golden Gate</i> , " 30,.....	221 90	<i>Mission</i> , " 169,.....	276 10
<i>Mount Moriah</i> , " 44,.....	397 20	<i>So. San Francisco</i> , " 212,.....	64 50
<i>Fidelity</i> , " 120,.....	260 40	<i>Doric</i> , " 216,.....	147 90
<i>Hermann</i> , " 127,.....	165 60	<i>Speranza Italiana</i> , " 219,.....	33 00
<i>Pacific</i> , " 136,.....	490 50		

Total amount of receipts from assessments upon the Lodges,.....\$3,631 40

Appropriation to this Board of Relief by the Grand Lodge,.....	2,000 00
Donation to the Board by Bro. MOSES HELLER, Grand Treasurer,.....	100 00
Donations to the Board by sundry other brethren,.....	47 00
Refunded to the Board by sundry Lodges in California,.....	741 90
Refunded thereto by sundry Lodges of other jurisdictions,.....	1,631 75
Net proceeds of an entertainment at Woodward's Gardens, May 9, 1878,...	865 22
Sundry amounts received for premiums on gold, etc,.....	44 00

Being an aggregate of receipts from all sources, of.....\$9,061 27

To which add the balance on hand, September 29th, 1877..... 2,096 76

Making a total to the credit of the fund, of.....\$11,158 03

The disbursements during the year have been as follows:—

For the relief of sick or needy brethren,.....	\$5,323 61
For the relief of the wives, widows, and children of brethren,.....	2,696 40

Being a total disbursement for charities, of..... \$8,020 01

To which is to be added for sundry incidental expenses,..... 1,067 65

Making the total expenditure for the year,..... \$9,087 66

And leaving a balance in the treasury, September 28, 1878, of.. 2,070 37

The foregoing sum of \$8,020 01 was distributed as follows:—

To 34 cases from California,....	2,114 85	Amount brought forward, ..	\$5,283 15
“ 3 “ “ Australia,....	291 70	To 2 cases from Michigan,....	51 00
“ 1 “ “ Brazil,.....	10 00	“ 7 “ “ Missouri, ...	451 50
“ 9 “ “ Canada,.....	376 15	“ 1 “ “ Montana,.....	25 15
“ 1 “ “ Dist. Columbia, 100 00		“ 3 “ “ Nevada,.....	142 50
“ 1 “ “ China,.....	38 50	“ 4 “ “ N. Hampshire, 240 50	
“ 2 “ “ Colorado, ...	18 50	“ 3 “ “ New Jersey,..	76 25
“ 3 “ “ Connecticut, .	357 00	“ 18 “ “ New York,...	598 90
“ 1 “ “ Delaware,.....	22 50	“ 1 “ “ New Zealand,.	30 00
“ 5 “ “ England,....	231 75	“ 1 “ “ No. Carolina,..	2 50
“ 1 “ “ Georgia,.....	80 00	“ 1 “ “ Nova Scotia,.	5 00
“ 1 “ “ Holland,....	73 00	“ 4 “ “ Pennsylvania,.	58 00
“ 1 “ “ Idaho,.....	112 00	“ 1 “ “ Peru,.....	25 00
“ 8 “ “ Illinois,.....	277 85	“ 1 “ “ Portugal,....	38 00
“ 3 “ “ Indiana,.....	83 70	“ 1 “ “ Rhode Island,.	5 00
“ 4 “ “ Iowa,.....	277 30	“ 7 “ “ Scotland,....	87 50
“ 1 “ “ Ireland,.....	15 00	“ 2 “ “ So. Carolina,.	45 00
“ 1 “ “ Kansas,.....	6 50	“ 3 “ “ Texas,.....	14 35
“ 2 “ “ Louisiana,....	17 00	“ 2 “ “ Utah,.....	11 75
“ 3 “ “ Maine,.....	181 50	“ 1 “ “ Virginia,.....	60 00
“ 1 “ “ Mexico,.....	163 50	“ 4 “ “ Wash’n Ter’y, 301 20	
“ 2 “ “ Maryland,....	44 85	“ 3 “ “ Wisconsin,....	215 00
“ 6 “ “ Massachusetts, 390 00		“ 12 “ “ Unclassified, ..	252 76

Amount carried forward,....\$5,283 15

Being a total, for one hundred and seventy-six cases of relief, of.....\$8,020 01

RECAPITULATION.

Balance in the treasury, September 29th, 1877,.....	\$2,096 76
Received from assessments on the city Lodges, ...	3,631 40
Received amount of appropriation by the Grand Lodge,.....	2,000 00
Received from donations, repayments, etc.,..	2,520 65
Received from proceeds of entertainments, etc,.....	865 22
Received for premiums on gold, etc.,.....	44 00

Making a total of balance and receipts, of..... \$11,158 03

From which deduct the expenditures for the year,..... 9,087 66

And there remains a balance in the treasury, September 28, 1878, of... \$2,070 37

Of the foregoing sum of \$8,020 01, disbursed for the relief of the sick and distressed, there were expended—

For Masons of the jurisdiction of California,.....	\$1,069 85
For Masons of other jurisdictions,.....	4,253 76
For wives, widows, and orphans of Masons of California, ...	1,045 00
For wives, widows, and orphans of Masons of other jurisdictions,.....	1,651 40

Making an aggregate amount, as above, of.....\$8,020 01

The following brethren have been buried with Masonic honors, under the direction of the Board, since the date of the last report:—

CHARLES H. VAN GORDER,.....	of <i>Silver Star</i> Lodge, No. 5,.....	Nevada.
J. F. L. SCHIRMER,.....	" <i>Denver</i> " " 5,.....	Colorado.
JAMES E. ABELL,.....	" <i>Elko</i> " " 15,.....	Nevada.
FRANK M. STINSON,.....	" <i>Polar Star</i> " " 114,.....	Maine.
JOHN DUMM,.....	" <i>Cariboo</i> " " 4,.....	Br. Columbia.
ALLAN ROBERTSON,.....	" <i>Eagle</i> " " 12,.....	Iowa.
HENRY C. ROTH,.....	" <i>Illinois</i> " " 263,.....	Illinois.
GEORGE A. MULFORD,.....	" <i>Oriental</i> " " 51,.....	New Jersey.
THOMAS BOYLING,.....	" <i>Port Townsend</i> " " 6,.....	Wash. Territory.
HUMPHREY JULIAN, ...	" <i>Madison</i> " " 23,.....	California.
JOHN B. WHITE,.....	" <i>W. G. Hill</i> " " 218,.....	North Carolina.
A. G. JONES,.....	" <i>Lafayette</i> " " 64,.....	New York.
JOHN S. BEECROFT,.....	" <i>Chico</i> " " 111,.....	California.
JOSEPH RICHARDSON, ...	" <i>Liberty</i> " " 48,.....	Texas.
EMERY H. TUTTLE, ...	" <i>Acacia</i> " " 121,.....	Maine.
JACOB B. WARFIELD,..	" <i>Temple</i> " " 14,.....	California.
GEORGE D. LUNDGREN, ...	" <i>Eureka</i> " " 16,.....	Nevada.
ISAAC GAUCE,.....	" <i>Bunker Hill</i> " " 302,.....	Iowa.
WILLIAM E. STURGIS,.....	" <i>Star of Beth'l'm</i> " " —,.....	Massachusetts.
WALTER FIELD,.....	" <i>San Jose</i> " " 10,.....	California.
JOHN ISAACS,.....	" <i>Owen</i> " " 108,.....	California.

Being in all twenty-one funerals of non-residents conducted by the Lodges in this city, under the direction of the Board.

The following is a summary of the receipts and disbursements of the Board during the twenty-three years of its existence—the first twenty years of which, to save space, being now consolidated:—

Receipts :

Years.	From City Lodges.	From other sources.	Totals.
1856-75.	\$61,512 30	\$59,244 06	\$120,756 36
1876.	4,011 30	5,008 04	9,019 34
1877.	3,741 60	7,174 16	10,915 76
1878.	3,631 40	5,429 97	9,061 37
	\$72,896 60	\$76,856 23	\$149,752 83

Expenditures :

Years.	Masons of California.	Of other Jurisdictions.	Widows and Orphans of California.	Of other Jurisdictions.	Incidental Expenses.	Total Expended.
1856-75.	\$23,656 26	\$47,671 82	\$10,264 38	\$34,385 60	\$4,354 60	\$120,332 66
1876.	1,708 45	4,233 88	285 00	1,551 15	682 89	8,461 37
1877.	1,262 00	5,116 68	747 00	1,557 40	1,117 59	9,800 77
1878.	1,069 85	4,253 76	1,045 00	1,651 40	1,067 65	9,087 66
	\$27,696 56	\$61,276 14	\$12,341 38	\$39,145 55	\$7,222 73	\$147,632 46

All which is respectfully submitted by

MICHAEL JAMES KEATING, *President.*

CHARLES MCQUESTON, *Secretary.*

Which report, together with sundry brief reports presented by the Masonic Boards of Relief of Stockton, Sacramento, and Los Angeles, was referred to the Committee on Finances.

The Grand Lecturer presented an account for traveling expenses incurred during the year, in attending the Grand Master at various

district and other meetings; which was also referred to the Committee on Finances.

BRO. WILLIAM A. DAVIES gave notice that, at some day hereafter, he would offer a resolution to rescind the regulation, prescribing the manner of voting for Grand Officers, which was adopted at the last Annual Communication.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

In Grand Lodge.

MORNING SESSION,
Wednesday, October 9th, A. L. 5878. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at ten o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

After music by the choir and prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the minutes of the sessions of yesterday were read and approved.

BRO. GEORGE T. GRIMES, from the Committee on Credentials, reported the following officers and representatives of Lodges and Past Masters, by service within this jurisdiction, as being present and entitled to seats, viz.: from

California,.....No.	1,..	{ JOHN McCOMB, JOHN FRANCIS SNOW, GEORGE TISDALE BROMLEY, }	Past Masters.
Tehama,.....No.	3,..	{ GEORGE FREDERICK BRONNER, Junior Warden ; ELDRIDGE LAFAYETTE HAWK, Past Master.	
Benicia,.....No.	5,...	THOMAS MCKAY, Master and Past Master.	
San Joaquin,.....No.	19,..	{ MINORD SPRAGUE THRESHER, Past Master and Rep. ; ALEXANDER CHALMERS, Past Master.	
Mariposa,.....No.	24,..	{ LEWIS FULLER JONES, Master and Past Master ; WILLIAM FRANKLIN COFFMAN, Senior Warden.	
Santa Clara, ...No.	34,...	ROBERT MENZEL, Master.	
Mount Moriah,.....No.	44,..	{ PETER SHORT, JOSEPH LIPPMAN, } DAN JOSEPH EDGAR, }	Past Masters.
Santa Rosa,.....No.	57,...	ROBERT PRESS SMITH, JR., Past Master.	
Union, ...No.	58,..	{ CHARLES FOX SHIELDS, Master and Past Master ; CHARLES MORTIMER COGLAN, Past Master.	
Forest,.....No.	66,...	JOHN KIRKPATRICK, Past Master.	
Morning Star,.....No.	68,...	HENRY COFFIN SHAW, Past Master.	
Henry Clay, ...No.	95,...	MORRIS BRINN, Past Master.	

<i>Manzanita</i> ,.....	No. 102,...	GEORGE CUMMINGS SPOONER, Past Master and Rep.
<i>Oroville</i> ,.....	No. 103,...	ISAAC UPHAM, Past Master.
<i>Pajaro</i> ,.....	No. 110,...	THOMAS BECK, Past Master.
<i>Sotoyome</i> ,.....	No. 123,...	PETER GRIEST, Past Master.
<i>Pacific</i> ,.....	No. 136,...	SOLOMON KOHLMAN, Past Master.
<i>Oriental</i> ,.....	No. 144,...	WM. JAMES TOWNSHEND, Past Master.
<i>Excelsior</i> ,.....	No. 166,	{ CHARLES HENRY PHELPS, Junior Warden; STEWART MENZIES, Past Master.
<i>Clear Lake</i> ,.....	No. 183,...	WM. HARRISON CUNNINGHAM, Master and P. Master.
<i>Mountain View</i> ,...	No. 194,...	GEORGE WASHINGTON SMITH, Master and P. Master.
<i>Stanislaus</i> ,.....	No. 206,...	WILLIAM GROLLMAN, Past Master.
<i>Pleasanton</i> ,.....	No. 218,...	WILLIAM ARCHIBALD MCKEE, Senior Warden.
<i>Contra Costa</i> ,.....	No. 227,...	JAMES RANKIN, Past Master and Representative.
<i>Athens</i> ,.....	No. 228,...	WARD SPOONER WILLIAMS, Master and Past Master.
<i>Alcatraz</i> ,.....	No. 244,...	CHARLES HENRY REDINGTON, Past Master.
<i>Brotherhood</i> ,.....	U. D.,...	BENTON R. WILTSE, Delegate.

Which report was concurred in and the brethren therein named were admitted to seats.

The R. W. THOMAS BECK, Past Senior Grand Warden, appeared and took his seat.

The Grand Master announced the appointment of the following regular committees, viz. :

On Finances :

Bro. George Clement Perkins,
 " Josiah Perkins Brown,
 " Orrin Whitcomb Hollenbeck,
 " Charles Lewis Thomas,
 " Jonathan Doan Hines.

On Charters :

Bro. Theodore Guevara Cockrill,
 " John Pashburg,
 " John Caldwell,
 " Adolphus Hewell,
 " Elijah Thompson Farmer.

On By-Laws :

Bro. William Alexander January,
 " Alexander Carmichael,
 " Rollin Dunshee,
 " Gideon Wing,
 " William Tomes Turner.

He also named the following brethren to fill vacancies existing in the standing committees, viz. :—

On Returns :

Bro. Orange Spencer Palmer,
 " John William Mackall.

On Pay of Members :

Bro. Jonathan Doan Hines,
 " Frank Douglas Mead.

Bro. CHARLES G. EWING proposed the following amendments to the Constitution, viz. :—

Strike out, in the first line of the 7th clause of Section 2, Article VIII, Part I, the word "two," and insert, in lieu thereof, the word "one."

Strike out all the 7th clause of Section 3, Article IV, Part II.

BRO. FRANK D. MEAD proposed the following amendment to the Constitution :—

Strike out all of Section 3, Article IV, Part II, after the word “direct,” in the second line thereof.

Both which proposed amendments were referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

BRO. THOMAS H. CASWELL, from the special committee to whom had been referred the Address of the Grand Master and the Report of the Grand Secretary, presented the following reports :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom was referred the third Annual Message of our M. W. Grand Master, have read with great care and much profit that admirable paper; and, in submitting their report, desire particularly to call the attention of the Grand Lodge, and of the fraternity generally, to the excellent exposition of what Masonry really is, and of the duties incumbent on us as Masons, in all the relations of life—civil, religious, and social—as set forth in the introductory part thereof.

The custom too commonly prevails, in papers of this kind, to leave everything like wholesome admonition in the background, and to portray the grandeur and sublimity of the teachings of Masonry, rather than to hold the mirror of truth before us, as our Grand Master has done, so that our short-comings may be realized and the opportunity for amendment given. The enemies of Masonry are ever watchful and are quick to detect the least remissness in its professed votaries; but the victory is surely ours if we but keep the faith we have plighted and practice what we teach. With appreciative gratitude then to the M. W. brother who has so skillfully withdrawn the veil, however thin it may have been, which obscured our moral vision, let us resolve to be henceforth truer men, more faithful Masons, and better citizens—with more of love in our hearts, and a charity for all that shall be both warm and effective.

Your committee would particularly commend another portion of the message to the thoughtful consideration of the Grand Lodge—that in which he so feelingly and ably refers to “the meagre attendance at the funeral of a brother.” Would that it were possible for us to believe the reference unwarranted, and that a dereliction so sad and flagrant could not be chargeable to *Masons*, anywhere. The fact, however, exists; and it is rightly characterized as “deplorable.” Cannot some means be devised by which the evil may be remedied and the reproach it occasions be removed? At least, let the closing words of the Grand Master upon this subject sink deep into the hearts and minds of all—“to honor the dead is commendable; to ignore the dead is lamentable. Masonry inculcates the first, and condemns the last.”

The good resulting from the regulation requiring Inspectors to report to the Grand Master the condition of the Lodges in their several districts, is manifest from the information so clearly, though briefly stated by him, and derived from that source alone. In no other way could the irregularities mentioned be brought to your notice, or the means of correction be afforded. Your committee unite with the Grand Master in expressions of regret that thirteen of these conservators of Masonry were so unmindful of its welfare as to neglect so paramount a duty; and, fully concurring in his suggestions, would recommend that so much of the message as relates to the subject of Inspectors be referred to a special committee.

The thanks of the Grand Lodge are again due to the Grand Master for the continuance of the system of visitations so successfully pursued by him. The time spent and fatigue endured in this self-imposed duty, are aptly illustrated in the comparison instituted; but the amount of good accomplished is beyond calculation or illustration. The seed has been sown—may the harvest be early and abundant, and the fruitage perfection.

Your committee, contrary to their intention and desire, are reminded that they

must generalize in their references, somewhat, in order that other committees may have time in which to consider the subjects referred to them, and that your deliberations may not be delayed. They therefore make the following recommendations :—

That so much of the Address as relates to the special conventions of the Grand Lodge for ceremonial purposes, and all authorizations for the same—to the acknowledgments in your behalf, so gracefully tendered to the Grand Lodge of Montana—to the correspondence with the Grand Lodge of Missouri—to the action taken in connection with the refusal of one subordinate Lodge to re-imburse another for relief granted—and to the encouraging words given the *Masonic Monthly* and its commendation to the support of the fraternity, be recommended for approval :

That so much thereof as relates to the appointment of special deputies to constitute the Lodges chartered at the last Communication, and to the issuing of dispensations to form new Lodges, be referred to the Committee on Charters :

That so much thereof as relates to the proposed amendments to the by-laws of Lodges—to the comments upon the subject of life membership and the establishment of a new Lodge on that principle—and to the suggestions relative to uniformity in those respects, be referred to the Committee on By-Laws :

That so much thereof as relates to the Grand Lodges of Quebec and Scotland—to the report of our Representative near the Grand Lodge of Illinois—to the appointment of Representatives near the Grand Lodge of New Mexico and the Grand Orient of Spain—to the permission given *Clinton* Lodge, No. 119, to change its place of meeting—to the issue of a duplicate charter to *Vacaville* Lodge, No. 134,—to the issue of special dispensations for the election of officers and the re-balloting for candidates—to the printed circulars soliciting alms for indigent Masons—to the irregularity in trial-proceedings had in *Los Angeles* Lodge, No. 42,—to the questions re-submitted by the Grand Master—to the matter touching fees and dues of non-affiliates—to the action of the retiring Master of *Clear Lake* Lodge, No. 183,—to the case instanced where one black ball appeared, and the ruling thereupon—to the several answers given to questions proposed during the year—to the incorporation of Lodges—to the recommendation to make the Committee on Finances a standing committee—to the report of the Grand Treasurer respecting the management of the Reserve Fund—to the notice directed to be published concerning the Masonic Savings' and Loan Bank—and to the communications from the Grand Commander of California and the Finance Committee of the Grand Chapter thereof, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence :

That so much thereof as relates to the relief of a brother of *Monterey* Lodge by *Eureka* Lodge, No. 16, and *Granite* Lodge, No. 222, and the re-imbursement of those Lodges by the Grand Lodge—to the establishment of a Grand Lodge charity fund—to the reduction of the expenses of the Grand Lodge—and to the general relief extended to the fever-stricken South, be referred to the Committee on Finances ; but the prompt and generous action of the Grand Master in drawing upon the general fund for the sum of fifteen hundred dollars for the immediate relief of the suffering in the States of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee, is recommended for the especial and grateful approval of the Grand Lodge.

The well-deserved and truly eloquent eulogies upon the lives and characters of our illustrious dead, are fully concurred in by your committee. Nothing, either in appropriateness of language or expressive of our sorrow, can be added by them. Bro. WILLIAM E. MOODY, Assistant Grand Secretary, and Bro. HENRY H. HAIGHT, Past Grand Orator, are no more. Green memory, and the emulation of their noble qualities, are all of them that remain to us. It is recommended that so much as relates to those deceased brethren be referred to a special committee of five.

In conclusion, your committee commend the excellent message of our Grand Master to the careful study of every Mason in the jurisdiction. In it will be found much to interest, and still more to instruct. Admonition is kindly administered, and counsel and advice lovingly bestowed. No one can read it without a desire to become a better man and a more deserving Mason. May its mission be accomplished.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom was referred the Annual Report of the V. W. Grand Secretary, having carefully examined the same and compared it with similar papers submitted by Grand Secretaries of sister jurisdictions, are unanimous in the conclusion, that, for succinctness of expression, completeness of arrangement, and perfection in its classification, it stands without an equal ; and in either respect, is excelled by none. The entire report shows thoughtful care in its preparation, and a devotion to the interests of the Grand Lodge which merit its warmest commendation ; while the several matters requiring its action are so plainly set forth that the duties of committees will not only be greatly simplified, but the labors of the Grand Lodge, and the time required for the transaction of its business, will be materially lessened. This is no idle praise to tickle the ear or to please the fancy of any one, but a tribute which your committee deem to be justly due to a faithful officer—one whose zeal has been recognized for years past by this Grand Lodge, and whose abilities have so largely contributed towards the attainment of its character for excellence, dignity, and learning which to-day is world-wide among Masons. With this brief reference to the merits of the report, and with the hope that every member of the Grand Lodge will carefully examine it with reference to a better understanding of its business, properties, and relations, your committee recommend the following references :—

To the tribute so touchingly paid to the worth and character of the late Assistant Grand Secretary, Bro. WILLIAM E. MOODY, your committee feel their inability to add anything ; but fully concurring in the expressions of sorrow for the loss of so estimable a Mason, and so competent and faithful an officer, they recommend the reference of that portion of the report to a special committee of five :

That so much thereof as relates to Lodges chartered at the last Annual Communication, to the formation of new Lodges, and to the surrender of the charter of *Mau*i Lodge, No. 223, be referred to the Committee on Charters :

That so much thereof as relates to amendments to the by-laws of chartered Lodges, and to the by-laws of Lodges under dispensation, be referred to the Committee on By-Laws :

That so much thereof as relates to communications received from foreign jurisdictions, to the issue of special dispensations, to the unfinished business of the Committee on Jurisprudence of last year, especially the questions submitted by the Grand Master in his message of 1877, and to the permission to *Clinton* Lodge to remove its place of meeting, be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence :

That so much thereof as relates to transcripts of trial-records, and to petitions for restorations, together with all communications relating thereto, be referred to the Committee on Grievances :

And that so much thereof as relates to the communication from the Master of *San Jose* Lodge, No. 10, relative to the grave of our deceased Bro. LEVI STOWELL, Past Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge—to the circular from Beyrout, Syria, asking assistance towards the erection of Masonic schools—to the application of *Hawaiian* Lodge for a donation of the funds of the late *Mau*i Lodge, No. 223—and to all other matters relating to the finances and funds of the Grand Lodge, be referred to the Committee on Finances.

All which is respectfully submitted by

THOMAS H. CASWELL,	} Committee.
EDWIN GLOVER,	
ALBERT J. LOWRY,	
JOHN C. KING,	
DAVID K. PERKINS,	

Both which reports were concurred in, and the references therein recommended were ordered to be made.

The Grand Treasurer presented the following report, in relation to the Reserve Fund of the Grand Lodge:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

At the last Annual Communication “it was ordered that the Grand Treasurer make an examination of the affairs of the Reserve Fund, and report thereon at the next Annual Communication;” and, in accordance with that direction, the undersigned has thoroughly examined the history of that fund and reports the result thereof, as follows:—

At the Annual Communication in October, 1869, (see Proc., page 145,) the Committee on Finances, to whom had been referred a resolution “requesting the report of some plan for the equitable distribution or permanent investment of the surplus funds now in the treasury of the Grand Lodge,” reported that “the present is the proper time for the establishment of a fund which shall be in the nature of a surplus or reserved fund, to be allowed to increase from interest collected thereon, and from such additions as the Grand Lodge may, from time to time, deem proper to apply thereto;” and, in furtherance of that suggestion, the committee submitted the following resolutions, which were adopted:—

Resolved, That the sum of five thousand dollars be and the same is hereby set aside from the general fund, as a surplus or reserve fund, and that three persons, members of this Grand Lodge, be elected annually, who shall jointly take charge of and loan or invest said sum, and such further sums as may from time to time be similarly appropriated, at their discretion; and also have the charge of the stock of the Masonic Hall Association belonging to the Grand Lodge, and render an account of their doings at each Annual Communication.

Resolved, That the persons, so chosen as above, be and are hereby required to jointly execute and file, in the office of the Grand Secretary, a sufficient bond to the Grand Master, to be approved by him, for the faithful performance of their duties, and to pay over and transfer the property which shall have come into their keeping to such persons and at such times as may hereafter be designated by the Grand Lodge.

In accordance with the foregoing resolutions, Bros. JAMES LAIDLEY, RICHARD DALE, and GEORGE C. HICKOX were elected “Trustees of the Reserve Fund” at that Communication, (see Proc., page 151,) and it appears that the aforementioned sum of \$5000 had been paid to said Trustees on the first day of November, 1869, some two weeks after the close of the Communication. (See Proc., 1870, page 323.)

In 1870, (see Proc., page 438,) the Trustees “report that the \$5,000, entrusted to them for investment, has been loaned on ample real estate security, at one per cent per month;” that the interest received to October 1st, 1870, had been \$550; and that the amount then on hand was \$5,550, exclusive of 1,318 shares of stock in the Masonic Hall Association of the city of San Francisco. The same Trustees were elected. (See Proc., page 458.)

In 1871, the Trustees report (see Proc., page 188) that the \$5,550 last named was continued at interest, as before, until the first day of August, 1871, when the additional accrued interest amounted to \$555; that at that date the whole amount of principal and interest, \$6,105, was paid in; that “no satisfactory opportunity for a re-investment having since occurred, it has remained on deposit in bank;” that \$5,000 thereof was, by order of the Grand Lodge, (see Proc., page 141,) transmitted to Chicago for the benefit of sufferers by the great fire in that city; and that the sum of \$1,105 remained on hand, together with the 1,318 shares of Masonic Hall stock before mentioned. At this Communication the Grand Lodge appropriated \$3,000, additional, to the Reserve Fund, (see Proc., page 195,) and on the first day of November of this year, (see Proc., 1872, page 412,) it appears that the above \$3,000 was paid by the Grand Treasurer to the Trustees.

In 1872, the report of the Trustees (see Proc., page 605,) states the total amount in their hands to be \$4,207 05, of which \$3,000 “was invested in real estate securities bearing interest at the rate of one per cent. per month;” \$1,200, being the \$1,105 in

their hands at the last report, with accumulated interest, was invested in U. S. six per cent bonds; and \$7 05 was in cash. It was also reported that 1,478 shares of Masonic Hall stock was on hand, the addition of 160 shares having been derived from the forfeited property of *Progress Lodge*, No. 125. The same Trustees were elected. (See Proc., page 605.)

In 1873, (see Proc., page 235,) the Trustees reported the total amount on hand to be \$4,279 05; of which \$1,250 was invested in U. S. six per cent bonds, \$3,000 upon real estate at one per cent per month as before, and \$29 05 was in cash. They say that "no interest has been received during the past year upon the loan of \$3,000, in consequence of losses by fire which embarrassed the borrower," and that it was not deemed necessary to enforce a settlement with him, as the security for the loan and interest was abundantly sufficient. They also report that, by order of the Grand Lodge, 160 shares of the Masonic Hall stock had been transferred to *Doric Lodge*, No. 216, and that the remaining 1,318 shares would be turned over to its lawful custodian, the Grand Treasurer. The same Trustees were elected. (See Proc., page 235.)

In 1874, the Trustees report (see Proc., page 603,) that the total assets were \$5,370. Of this sum \$1,350 were in U. S. six per cent bonds, and \$4,020 were in a new note and mortgage "considered as well secured," being for the old principal of \$3,000 and an accrued interest of \$1,020, which new note for \$4,020 was "secured by mortgage upon real estate bearing interest at the rate of twelve per cent per annum." The 1318 shares of Masonic Hall Stock had been handed over to the Grand Treasurer. The same Trustees were elected. (See Proc., page 604.)

In 1875, (see Proc., page 145,) it is reported by the Trustees that the amount to the credit of the Reserve Fund was \$5,934 45. Interest, \$78, had been received on the U. S. six per cent bonds, and \$482 40 on the note and mortgage for \$4,020. There had been paid the sum of \$564 45 for U. S. six per cent bonds for \$550, and the investment stood—in U. S. bonds, \$1,900, and in note and mortgage, \$4,020—being in all \$5,920. The same Trustees were elected. (See Proc., page 145.)

In 1876, the Trustees report (see Proc., page 528,) the amount to the credit of the fund at \$6,516 40; interest, \$114, had been received on U. S. bonds, and \$482 40 on the note and mortgage for \$4,020. There had been paid for \$500 additional U. S. six per cent bonds the sum of \$535, and the investments were as follows: U. S. bonds, \$2,400; note and mortgage, as before, \$4,020; and cash, \$61 40; being in all \$6,481 40. The same Trustees (see Proc., page 528,) were elected. This was the last report presented to the Grand Lodge by the Trustees of the Reserve Fund. Bro. JAMES LAIDLEY, Grand Treasurer, and chairman of the Trustees, died on the tenth day of December, 1876.

Upon inquiry of Bro. GEORGE C. HICKOX, another of the Trustees, information was received that, in addition to the cash balance of \$61 40, mentioned in the last report, he had received for interest (coupons) on \$2,400 U. S. bonds to the first day of January, 1877, the sum of \$72, and that he had sold those bonds (coupons on) on the first day of July, 1877, at the rate of \$104 per cent, being for the sum of \$2,496. These sums, amounting to \$2,629 40, were paid over by him to the present Trustees of the Reserve Fund, leaving the note and mortgage for \$4,020 unaccounted for. Both the surviving Trustees, Bros. GEORGE C. HICKOX and RICHARD DALE, declare that they have never seen that note and mortgage, or had them in their or either of their possession; and the executors of the estate of Bro. JAMES LAIDLEY give information that no such note or mortgage was found among the papers of that brother which came into their possession.

All which is respectfully submitted by

MOSES HELLER,
Grand Treasurer.

Which report was ordered to be referred to the Committee on Finances.

On motion of Bro. WILLIAM H. HILL, the delivery of the address of the Grand Orator was made the special order for to-morrow afternoon at three and a half o'clock.

Bro. MOSES HELLER, from the Trustees of the Reserve Fund, presented the following report:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

The Trustees of the Reserve Fund, elected at the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, report that they received, on the 26th day of November, 1877, from Bro. GEORGE C. HICKOX, late one of the Trustees of the above named Fund, twenty-six hundred and twenty-nine dollars and forty cents, which sum was deposited in the Odd Fellows' Savings Bank until some favorable opportunity should occur for a permanent investment. They further report that there has been placed to the credit of the Fund, for interest accruing to June 30th, 1878, the sum of \$100 84, making the amount in bank on that day, \$2,730 24.

All which, together with the record of proceedings of the Trustees, is respectfully submitted by

GEORGE C. PERKINS,
WILLIAM W. TRAYLOR, } *Trustees.*
MOSES HELLER,

Which report was ordered to be referred to the Committee on Finances.

Bro. SAMUEL S. ARNHEIM presented a memorial from Bro. ELIJAH MARTIN, an Entered Apprentice of *Progress* Lodge, No. 125, extinct, asking how he should proceed to obtain the two remaining degrees: and

A communication was received from a committee of the so-called "Sovereign Grand Lodge of Masons," (colored,) in this city, requesting this Grand Lodge to issue charters to its subordinates:

Both which papers were ordered to be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Bro. WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Grievances, presented the following reports:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition of JULIUS ADLER, heretofore suspended for unmaasonic conduct by *Fidelity* Lodge, No. 120, for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry, report that the petitioner seems to base his request on the alleged fact that he did not have a fair trial and had been unjustly condemned. But a careful examination of the transcript of the trial-record fails to show any irregularity or evidence of unjust bias against him on the part of the commissioners who tried his case, and it appears that he did not appeal to the Grand Lodge against their decision.

He has applied to *Fidelity* Lodge for restoration, and his application has been denied by an almost unanimous vote. Your committee can see no good reason why this Grand Lodge should grant the favor which his former brethren, who know him best, have seen fit to refuse; and they therefor recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the petition of JULIUS ADLER, for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry, be and is hereby denied.

Your committee, to whom was referred the transcript of the record of the second trial of GEORGE M. PINNEY, by *Oakland Lodge*, No. 188, resulting in his acquittal, have examined the same and report—

That the accused was convicted by the above named Lodge on the first trial and sentenced to be expelled; that the case was sent back to the Lodge for a new trial for the technical reason that “no summons was actually served on the accused as is required by law;” and that at the same time your committee reported that “the evidence produced on the trial was amply sufficient to warrant the sentence of expulsion which was adjudged by the commissioners.” (See *Proc.*, 1877, page 192.)

Now, the evidence presented at this second trial was identical with that offered at the first, it being a certified copy from the records of the Nineteenth District Court of the divorce of the accused from his wife for repeated acts of adultery, together with the cumulative evidence that the accused had applied for a new trial in the said Court, and that his application had been denied. Under these circumstances your committee are at a loss to understand how the commissioners could have rendered a verdict of acquittal, and they therefor offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That the action of *Oakland Lodge*, No. 188, in acquitting GEORGE M. PINNEY, be reversed and set aside, and that he be and is hereby expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition of JOHN F. PINKHAM, heretofore expelled by *Santa Cruz Lodge*, No. 38, for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry, have examined the original papers in his case, and have also listened to the statement of the representative of *Santa Cruz Lodge* that the said Lodge, at a stated meeting, unanimously voted that the petitioner was and is unworthy to be a Mason. After due consideration, your committee report that, in their opinion, the accused was justly expelled, and that no good reasons have been presented why he should be restored. They therefor offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That the petition of JOHN F. PINKHAM, for restoration to all the rights and privileges of Masonry, be and is hereby denied.

Your committee have examined the transcripts of trial-records in the following named cases wherein no appeal has been taken, and find that in each case the proceedings have been had substantially in accordance with our regulations, that the decisions seem to have been fully warranted by the evidence presented, and that, consequently, no action is required on the part of this Grand Lodge: viz., of—

Eli Cook,.....	expelled	by <i>California</i> ,	No. 1, ..	Oct. 3, 1878;
Robert More,.....	expelled	by <i>Hawaiian</i> ,	“ 21, ..	May 6, 1878;
Samuel William Johnson,....	suspended	by <i>Santa Clara</i> ,	“ 34, ..	Sept. 7, 1878;
Charles Louis Wiggin,.....	expelled	by <i>Mount Moriah</i> ,	“ 44, ..	Sept. 4, 1878;
Norman Richard Griswold, ..	expelled	by <i>Pajaro</i> ,	“ 110, ..	April 13, 1878;
John Jay Lawyer, ...	expelled	by <i>Violet</i> ,	“ 138, ..	Aug. 9, 1878;
William Charles Ashton, ...	expelled	by <i>Excelsior</i> ,	“ 166, ..	May 1, 1878;
Robert McCallum Gilmore, ..	suspended	by <i>Drytown</i> ,	“ 174, ..	July 10, 1878;
William Partridge, ...	expelled	by <i>Azlan</i> ,	“ 177, ..	July 27, 1878;
Isaac Hershel Levy, ...	expelled	by <i>Phoenix</i> ,	“ 178, ..	July 1, 1878;
Alonzo Flansburg, ...	expelled	by <i>Northern Light</i> ,	“ 190, ..	June 24, 1878;
Morris Jacoby, (E. A.), ...	expelled	by <i>Bakersfield</i> ,	“ 224, ..	Feb. 15, 1878;
William Reese Prutton, ...	suspended	by <i>Contra Costa</i> ,	“ 227, ..	May 14, 1878;
Daniel H. Ketcham, ...	expelled	by <i>Magnolia</i> ,	“ 242, ..	June 22, 1878.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, }
 JOHN C. PARTRIDGE, } *Committee.*
 HENRY H. KNAPP, }

All which reports were concurred in and the resolutions accompanying the first, second, and third were adopted.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Lodge.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Wednesday, October 9th, A. L. 5878. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at two o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

The Grand Master named the following brethren to constitute the special committee to whom was ordered to be referred that portion of his address—

On the decease of Bros. Moody and Haight:.	{	Bro. Henry Sayre Orme,
		" Charles Guy Cargill,
		" John Carleton Marsh,
		" Wallace Kay,
		" Edmund Clement Atkinson.

He also announced that that portion of the Grand Master's Address relating to Inspectors would be referred to the special committee to whom had been referred the Report of the Grand Lecturer.

BRO. WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Grievances, presented the following reports:—

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition of WILLIAM HENRY SAVAGE, heretofore expelled by *Inyo* Lodge, No. 221, for restoration, and also a memorial from said Lodge asking, not only that the petitioner be restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry, but that he also be restored to membership in that Lodge, have had the same under consideration and report that, after a careful examination of the evidence on which the petitioner was condemned, they cannot but think that, if he committed any crime at all, it certainly was not of such a nature as to have warranted a sentence of expulsion; and that, as his Lodge is now evidently of the same opinion, they offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That WILLIAM HENRY SAVAGE be and is hereby restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

Your committee, to whom was referred the appeal of Bro. JOHN F. KENNEDY from the action of *Pacific* Lodge, No. 136, in sentencing Bro. JACOB DEUTSCH to be reprimanded *only*, have examined the evidence presented at the trial, and respectfully report that the accused was charged with having, in the ante-room of the Lodge, during one of its meetings, made use of exceedingly abusive language concerning the appellant, a Past Master of his own Lodge—even going so far as to threaten to take his life.

An examination of the evidence introduced at the trial shows that the offence was clearly proven, and that the accused was properly convicted. It only remains then to consider whether or not a simple reprimand was an adequate punishment. Had the accused confined himself to mere abuse, your committee might possibly, though most unwillingly, have allowed the verdict to stand without interference; but when he so far forgot himself and his Masonic obligations as to threaten to kill a brother Mason, and that, too, within the walls of his own Lodge, they are of the opinion that the commissioners erred in awarding so light a penalty. No possible circumstances can justify the use of such language, and your committee offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That the action of *Pacific Lodge*, No. 136, in sentencing JACOB DEUTSCH to be reprimanded, be reversed and set aside, and that the said accused be and is hereby suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

Your committee, to whom was referred the appeal of ELISHA HENRY HALL from the action of *Evening Star Lodge*, No. 186, in expelling him from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, have had the same under consideration and report that the accused was charged with striking a brother of his Lodge, and also of using vile and obscene language towards him, both in the Lodge-room and upon a public street.

Both of these charges are fully established by the evidence. The accused, as it appears from the trial-record, endeavored to introduce certain testimony apparently intended to show that he had reason to think that the brother assaulted by him had injured, or endeavored to injure, him in some way at some former time. The Master very properly ruled this out as irrelevant and having no bearing on the matter in hand. It is fully time that Masons should understand that this Grand Lodge has again and again decided that no previous provocation will warrant personal violence or the use of indecent or threatening language to a brother Mason. The notice of appeal sent to the Lodge by the accused is a most remarkable specimen of verbal pyrotechnics; and, if words could annihilate, your committee are quite sure that there would be nothing left by this time either of the Master of the Lodge or the commissioners thereof. Fortunately they have escaped this threatened disaster and are still borne upon our rolls as very live men, willing to brave any amount of further danger in the good cause.

Your committee offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption by the Grand Lodge:—

Resolved, That the action of *Evening Star Lodge*, No. 186, in expelling ELISHA HENRY HALL from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, be and the same is hereby affirmed.

Your committee, to whom was referred the appeal of DAVID PATRICK MALLAGH from the action of *King David's Lodge*, No. 209, in suspending him from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, report as follows:—

That, after a careful examination of the transcript of proceedings in the case, they find that the accused, while in an intoxicated condition, had, on various occasions, talked on Masonic subjects in public places and in the presence of strangers; that he used such expressions as that “No Jew should become a member of a Masonic Lodge while he belonged to it”; that he was frequently seen on the streets under the influence of intoxicating liquor; and that he was an habitual drunkard.

There is ample evidence to sustain all these allegations, apart from the confession of the accused himself, who fully acknowledged his guilt and asked the pardon of the Master and the Lodge; and your committee are of the opinion that the commissioners, in rendering a verdict of suspension rather than one of expulsion, went fully as far as they were justified in doing in tempering justice with mercy. So, as no good reason

is shown why the decision of the Lodge should be disturbed, they recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the action of *King David's* Lodge, No. 209, in suspending DAVID PATRICK MALLAGH from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, be and the same is hereby affirmed.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, }
JOHN C. PARTRIDGE, } *Committee.*
HENRY H. KNAPP, }

All which reports were concurred in and the several resolutions accompanying them were adopted.

BRO. GEORGE G. GARDNER offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Finances :—

Resolved, That all dues to the Grand Lodge, from the subordinate Lodges, be payable in any legal tender coin of the United States of America.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until seven and a half o'clock this evening.

In Grand Lodge.

EVENING SESSION, }
Wednesday, October 9th, A. L. 5878. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at seven and a half o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

The Grand Lecturer exemplified the work in the first degree of Masonry.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

In Grand Lodge.

MORNING SESSION, }
Thursday, October, 10th, A. L. 5878. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at ten o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

After prayer by the Grand Chaplain and music by the choir, the minutes of the sessions of yesterday were read and approved.

Bro. GEORGE T. GRIMES, from the Committee on Credentials, reported the following additional officers of Lodges and Past Masters by service within this jurisdiction as being present and entitled to seats, viz.: from

<i>San Jose</i> ,.....No. 10,....	SAMUEL WATSON BORING, Past Master.							
<i>Temple</i> ,.....No. 14,....	DAVID BURRIS, Master and Past Master.							
<i>Trinity</i> , ...No. 27,....	WILEY JAMES TINNIN, Master and Past Master.							
<i>Golden Gate</i> ,.....No. 30,....	HIRAM THROOP GRAVES, Past Master.							
<i>Crescent</i> ,.....No. 45,....	WILLIAM BLOUNT MASON, Past Master.							
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<i>Volcano</i> , ...No. 56,....	CHARLES WILLSON, Past Master.							
<i>Concord</i> , ...No. 117,....	WILLIAM ROWLAND JONES, Junior Warden.							
<i>Vacaville</i> ,.....No. 134,....	ARTHUR MOORE, Past Master.							
<i>Alameda</i> , ...No. 167,....	OLIVER LYMAN SOUTHWICK, Senior Warden.							
<i>Mission</i> ,.....No. 169,....	ELIAS RODECKER, Past Master.							
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<i>San Benito</i> , ...No. 211,....	JUDSON GERAULD HAMILTON, Representative.							
<i>Doric</i> ,.....No. 216,....	CHARLES JAMES HARE, Past Master.							
<i>Brooklyn</i> ,.....No. 225,....	BEZALEEL MERRITT ATCHINSON, Master.							
<i>Solano</i> ,.....No. 229,.	<table> <tr> <td>OWEN HARTWELL BUTLER, Senior Warden ;</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, Past Master.</td><td></td></tr> </table>	OWEN HARTWELL BUTLER, Senior Warden ;		JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, Past Master.				
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The R. W. WILEY JAMES TINNIN, Past Senior Grand Warden, appeared and took his seat.

Bro. WILLIAM A. DAVIES proposed the following amendment to the Constitution, viz.:—

Strike out, in the second line of the fourth clause of Section 1, Article IV, Part II, the word “quarterly,” and insert, in lieu thereof, the word “immediately.”

Which proposed amendment was ordered to be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Bro. MINORD S. THRESHER presented sundry resolutions relative to the management of the funds of the Grand Lodge by the Grand Secretary, the Grand Treasurer, and the Trustees of the Reserve Fund ; which were referred to the Committee on Finances.

Bro. ISAAC UPHAM, from the Committee on Returns, presented the following report :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom was referred the examination of the returns of the Lodges for the current year, have, with the assistance of the Grand Secretary, performed that duty, and take pleasure in reporting that the returns of all the Lodges have been received by that officer ; that a large majority of them were prepared cor-

rectly; that those which were in the first instance erroneous, have since been corrected by the Secretaries, upon notice thereof by the Grand Secretary; that the dues have, in most instances, accompanied the reports; and that all dues have now been paid.

The classification which follows will show the respective credits due to the several Lodges:—

The reports of the following named Lodges were transmitted within the period of time prescribed in the Constitution, were accompanied by the dues, were in all respects correct, and were handsomely prepared:—

<i>California,</i>	No. 1,	<i>Plumas,</i>	No. 60,	<i>Excelsior,</i>	No. 166,
<i>Corinthian,</i>	" 9,	<i>Amador,</i>	" 65,	<i>Oakland,</i>	" 188,
<i>San Jose,</i>	" 10,	<i>Forest,</i>	" 66,	<i>Pentalpha,</i>	" 202,
<i>Yount,</i>	" 12,	<i>Nebraska,</i>	" 71,	<i>Salinas,</i>	" 204,
<i>Parfaite Union,</i>	" 17,	<i>Petaluma,</i>	" 77,	<i>Friendship,</i>	" 210,
<i>Occidental,</i>	" 22,	<i>Ione,</i>	" 80,	<i>San Buenaventura,</i>	" 214,
<i>El Dorado,</i>	" 26,	<i>Lexington,</i>	" 104,	<i>Monterey,</i>	" 217,
<i>Golden Gate,</i>	" 30,	<i>Owen,</i>	" 108,	<i>Pleasanton,</i>	" 218,
<i>Los Angeles,</i>	" 42,	<i>Fidelity,</i>	" 120,	<i>Hayward,</i>	" 226,
<i>Mount Moriah,</i>	" 44,	<i>Pacific,</i>	" 136,	<i>Guadalupe,</i>	" 237,
<i>Crescent,</i>	" 45,	<i>Oriental,</i>	" 144,	<i>Equality,</i>	" 240,
<i>Volcano,</i>	" 56,	<i>Lassen,</i>	" 149,	<i>Magnolia,</i>	" 242,
<i>Santa Rosa,</i>	" 57,				

Those of the following named Lodges were transmitted within the proper time, were accompanied by the dues, were in all respects correct, and were well prepared:—

<i>Tuolumne,</i>	No. 8,	<i>La Grange,</i>	No. 99,	<i>Mendocino,</i>	No. 179,
<i>Nevada,</i>	" 13,	<i>Manzanita,</i>	" 102,	<i>Russian River,</i>	" 181,
<i>Eureka,</i>	" 16,	<i>Dibble,</i>	" 109,	<i>Meridian,</i>	" 182,
<i>Mountain Shade,</i>	" 18,	<i>Chico,</i>	" 111,	<i>Sierra Valley,</i>	" 184,
<i>San Joaquin,</i>	" 19,	<i>Eden,</i>	" 113,	<i>Claiborne,</i>	" 185,
<i>Washington,</i>	" 20,	<i>Concord,</i>	" 117,	<i>Evening Star,</i>	" 186,
<i>Madison,</i>	" 23,	<i>Ionic,</i>	" 121,	<i>Keith,</i>	" 187,
<i>Mariposa,</i>	" 24,	<i>Alamo,</i>	" 122,	<i>Northern Light,</i>	" 190,
<i>Georgetown,</i>	" 25,	<i>Table Mountain,</i>	" 124,	<i>Marin,</i>	" 191,
<i>Columbia,</i>	" 28,	<i>La Fayette,</i>	" 126,	<i>Santa Barbara,</i>	" 192,
<i>Ophir,</i>	" 33,	<i>Nicolaus,</i>	" 129,	<i>Buckeye,</i>	" 195,
<i>Santa Clara,</i>	" 34,	<i>Woodbridge,</i>	" 131,	<i>San Simeon,</i>	" 196,
<i>San Diego,</i>	" 35,	<i>Yosemite,</i>	" 133,	<i>Wilmington,</i>	" 198,
<i>Saint John's,</i>	" 37,	<i>Crockett,</i>	" 139,	<i>Truckee,</i>	" 200,
<i>Sacramento,</i>	" 40,	<i>Curtis,</i>	" 140,	<i>Silveyville,</i>	" 201,
<i>Texas,</i>	" 46,	<i>Grafton,</i>	" 141,	<i>Newville,</i>	" 205,
<i>Gravel Range,</i>	" 59,	<i>Molino,</i>	" 150,	<i>Anaheim,</i>	" 207,
<i>Natoma,</i>	" 64,	<i>Palmyra,</i>	" 151,	<i>So. San Francisco,</i>	" 212,
<i>Morning Star,</i>	" 68,	<i>Woodland,</i>	" 156,	<i>Contra Costa,</i>	" 227,
<i>Enterprise,</i>	" 70,	<i>Keystone,</i>	" 161,	<i>Covelo,</i>	" 231,
<i>Yolo,</i>	" 81,	<i>San Mateo,</i>	" 168,	<i>Hope,</i>	" 234,
<i>Vesper,</i>	" 84,	<i>Mission,</i>	" 169,	<i>Surprise Valley,</i>	" 235,
<i>Saint Louis,</i>	" 86,	<i>Elk Grove,</i>	" 173,	<i>Hill's Ferry,</i>	" 236,
<i>Naval,</i>	" 87,	<i>Drytown,</i>	" 174,	<i>Tyre,</i>	" 238,
<i>Jefferson,</i>	" 97,	<i>Azlan,</i>	" 177,	<i>Pescadero,</i>	" 239,
<i>Hornitos,</i>	" 98,	<i>Phoenix,</i>	" 178,		

Those of the following named Lodges were transmitted within the proper time, were accompanied by the dues, were in all respects correct, and were fairly prepared :—

<i>Gold Hill,</i>	No. 32,	<i>Arcata,</i>	No. 106,	<i>Gibsonville,</i>	No. 158,
<i>George Washington,</i>	" 62,	<i>Pajaro,</i>	" 110,	<i>Harmony,</i>	" 164,
<i>Rising Star,</i>	" 83,	<i>Mount Zion,</i>	" 114,	<i>Arcturus,</i>	" 180,
<i>North Star,</i>	" 91,	<i>Vacaville,</i>	" 134,	<i>Rio Vista,</i>	" 208,
<i>Campo Seco,</i>	" 100,	<i>Violet,</i>	" 138,	<i>Eucalyptus,</i>	" 243.
<i>Clay,</i>	" 101,				

Those of the following named Lodges were transmitted within the proper time and were accompanied by the dues, but each required a few corrections, which were made by the Secretaries, upon being notified by the Grand Secretary :—

<i>Western Star,</i>	No. 2,	<i>Quitman,</i>	No. 88,	<i>Confidence,</i>	No. 203,
<i>Tehama,</i>	" 3,	<i>Saint Helena,</i>	" 93,	<i>Stanislaus,</i>	" 206,
<i>Temple,</i>	" 14,	<i>Henry Clay,</i>	" 95,	<i>San Benito,</i>	" 211,
<i>Yuba,</i>	" 39,	<i>Oroville,</i>	" 103,	<i>Bodega,</i>	" 213,
<i>Martinez,</i>	" 41,	<i>Summit,</i>	" 112,	<i>Oak Grove,</i>	" 215,
<i>Hiram,</i>	" 43,	<i>Clinton,</i>	" 119,	<i>Downey,</i>	" 220,
<i>Michigan City,</i>	" 47,	<i>Hermann,</i>	" 127,	<i>Athens,</i>	" 228,
<i>Forbestown,</i>	" 50,	<i>Visalia,</i>	" 128,	<i>Solano,</i>	" 229,
<i>Suisun,</i>	" 55,	<i>Colusa,</i>	" 142,	<i>Janesville,</i>	" 232,
<i>Live Oak,</i>	" 61,	<i>Franklin,</i>	" 143,	<i>Calistoga,</i>	" 233,
<i>Bear Mountain,</i>	" 76,	<i>Vitruvius,</i>	" 145,	<i>Santa Ana,</i>	" 241,
<i>Calaveras,</i>	" 78,	<i>Alameda,</i>	" 167,	<i>Laurel,</i>	" 245.
<i>Humboldt,</i>	" 79,	<i>Hartley,</i>	" 199,		

Those of the following named Lodges were correct and were accompanied by the dues, or the greater part thereof, (all have since been paid with the exception of *Hawaiian*, No. 21, the dues of which are usually remitted,) but were not transmitted within the proper time :—

<i>Hawaiian,</i>	No. 21,	<i>Acacia,</i>	No. 92,	<i>King David's,</i>	No. 209,
<i>Trinity,</i>	" 27,	<i>Howard,</i>	" 96,	<i>Speranza Italiana,</i>	" 219,
<i>Mokelumne,</i>	" 31,	<i>Eel River,</i>	" 147,	<i>Inyo,</i>	" 221,
<i>Santa Cruz,</i>	" 38,	<i>Antioch,</i>	" 175,	<i>Bakersfield,</i>	" 224,
<i>Illinoistown,</i>	" 51,	<i>Merced,</i>	" 176,	<i>North Butte,</i>	" 230,
<i>Union,</i>	" 58,	<i>Clear Lake,</i>	" 183,	<i>Alcatraz,</i>	" 244.
<i>Rose's Bar,</i>	" 89,	<i>Mountain View,</i>	" 194,		

Those of the following named Lodges were accompanied by the dues, but were not transmitted within the proper time, and all required corrections, which have since been made :—

<i>Saint Mark's,</i>	No. 85,	<i>Latrobe,</i>	No. 189,	<i>Brooklyn,</i>	No. 225.
<i>Sincerity,</i>	" 132,				

Those of the following named Lodges were transmitted within the proper time and were correct, but were not then accompanied by the dues, although they have since been paid :—

<i>Benicia,</i>	No. 5,	<i>Pilot Hill,</i>	No. 160,	<i>Doric,</i>	No. 216.
<i>Abell,</i>	" 146,	<i>Ferndale,</i>	" 193,	<i>Pomona,</i>	" 246.

Those of the following named Lodges were not transmitted within the proper time, were not accompanied by the dues, (though they have since been paid,) and all required corrections, which have since been made :—

<i>Sotoyome,</i>	No. 123,	<i>Valley,</i>	No. 135,	<i>Granite,</i>	No. 222.
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The amounts for dues for which the several Lodges of the jurisdiction were indebted, are as follows :—

Name and No.	Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total.
California,	1, \$350	\$86 25	\$436 25
Western Star,	2, 65	15 50	80 50
Tehama,	3, 123	27 75	150 75
Benicia,	5, 56	12 25	68 25
Tuolumne,	8, 88	22 00	110 00
Corinthian,	9, 103	25 75	128 75
San Jose,	10, 167	40 50	207 50
Yount,	12, 88	21 25	109 25
Nevada,	13, 119	28 25	147 25
Temple,	14, 35	8 50	43 50
Eureka,	16, 53	11 25	64 25
Parfaite Union,	17, 118	26 50	144 50
MountainShade,	18, 54	11 50	65 50
San Joaquin,	19, 64	16 00	80 00
Washington,	20, 66	16 50	82 50
Hawaiian,	21, —	—	—
Occidental,	22, 240	57 00	297 00
Madison,	23, 145	34 00	179 00
Mariposa,	24, 60	10 50	70 50
Georgetown,	25, 54	12 00	66 00
El Dorado,	26, 63	15 50	78 50
Trinity,	27, 88	17 50	105 50
Columbia,	28, 41	10 25	51 25
Golden Gate,	30, 199	49 00	248 00
Mokelumne,	31, 33	7 00	40 00
Gold Hill,	32, 38	8 00	46 00
Ophir,	33, 43	8 00	51 00
Santa Clara,	34, 54	12 00	66 00
San Diego,	35, 93	19 00	112 00
Saint John's,	37, 48	11 50	59 50
Santa Cruz,	38, 122	27 75	149 75
Yuba,	39, 84	20 50	104 50
Sacramento,	40, 140	30 75	170 75
Martinez,	41, 64	12 75	76 75
Los Angeles,	42, 110	25 25	135 25
Hiram,	43, 55	11 75	66 75
Mount Moriah,	44, 303	64 00	367 00
Crescent,	45, 40	9 50	49 50
Texas,	46, 35	8 75	43 75
Michigan City,	47, 43	10 00	53 00
Forbestown,	50, 68	15 00	83 00
Illinoistown,	51, 40	9 25	49 25
Suisun,	55, 81	18 75	99 75
Volcano,	56, 33	8 25	41 25
Santa Rosa,	57, 124	26 50	150 50
Union,	58, 156	35 00	191 00
Gravel Range,	59, 55	13 75	68 75
Plumas,	60, 64	13 00	77 00
Live Oak,	61, 121	28 25	149 25
Geo. Washing'n,	62, 25	5 75	30 75
Natoma,	64, 53	12 50	65 50
Amador,	65, 45	11 25	56 25
Forest,	66, 55	13 00	68 00

Name and No.	Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total
Morning Star,	68, 138	33 50	171 50
Enterprise,	70, 65	14 25	79 25
Nebraska,	71, 33	6 00	39 00
Bear Mountain,	76, 29	6 00	35 00
Petaluma,	77, 125	22 00	147 00
Calaveras,	78, 34	8 50	42 50
Humboldt,	79, 89	20 00	109 00
Ione,	80, 60	13 25	73 25
Yolo,	81, 46	9 75	55 75
Rising Star,	83, 42	10 50	52 50
Vesper,	84, 94	18 50	112 50
Saint Mark's,	85, 30	7 50	37 50
Saint Louis,	86, 53	12 50	65 50
Naval,	87, 106	25 25	131 25
Quitman,	88, 38	9 25	47 25
Rose's Bar,	89, 38	8 75	46 75
North Star,	91, 39	9 50	48 50
Acacia,	92, 40	8 75	48 75
Saint Helena,	93, 58	12 00	70 00
Henry Clay,	95, 59	13 25	72 25
Howard,	96, 41	10 25	51 25
Jefferson,	97, 25	5 75	30 75
Hornitos,	98, 31	7 00	38 00
La Grange,	99, 51	11 00	62 00
Campo Seco,	100, 35	6 25	41 25
Clay,	101, 61	13 75	74 75
Manzanita,	102, 70	16 75	86 75
Oroville,	103, 68	17 00	85 00
Lexington,	104, 43	10 75	53 75
Arcata,	106, 53	9 00	62 00
Owen,	108, 22	5 50	27 50
Dibble,	109, 21	5 25	26 25
Pajaro,	110, 111	27 75	138 75
Chico,	111, 124	26 00	150 00
Summit,	112, 53	11 50	64 50
Eden,	113, 41	10 25	51 25
Mount Zion,	114, 14	3 50	17 50
Concord,	117, 69	14 50	83 50
Clinton,	119, 25	5 50	30 50
Fidelity,	120, 195	42 50	237 50
Ionic,	121, 36	9 00	45 00
Alamo,	122, 41	8 25	49 25
Sotoyome,	123, 78	17 75	95 75
Table Mountain,	124, 69	14 25	83 25
La Fayette,	126, 56	12 50	68 50
Hermann,	127, 125	27 50	152 50
Visalia,	128, 100	23 00	123 00
Nicolaus,	129, 51	12 25	63 25
Woodbridge,	131, 71	16 50	87 50
Sincerity,	132, 31	6 25	37 25
Yosemite,	133, 23	5 75	28 75
Vacaville,	134, 59	11 25	70 25
Valley,	135, 45	10 00	55 00

Name and No.	Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total.	Name and No.	Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.	Total.
<i>Pacific</i> , 136,	356	73 50	429 50	<i>Pentalpha</i> , 202,	123	26 00	149 00
<i>Violet</i> , 138,	17	4 25	21 25	<i>Confidence</i> , 203,	16	3 75	19 75
<i>Crockett</i> , 139,	101	22 25	123 25	<i>Salinas</i> , 204,	67	16 00	83 00
<i>Curtis</i> , 140,	48	9 50	57 50	<i>Newville</i> , 205,	33	8 00	41 00
<i>Grafton</i> , 141,	34	7 75	41 75	<i>Stanislaus</i> , 206,	70	16 50	86 50
<i>Colusa</i> , 142,	59	14 00	73 00	<i>Anaheim</i> , 207,	40	9 50	49 50
<i>Franklin</i> , 143,	31	6 50	37 50	<i>Rio Vista</i> , 208,	43	9 75	52 75
<i>Oriental</i> , 144,	213	48 75	261 75	<i>King David's</i> , 209,	65	13 75	78 75
<i>Vitruvius</i> , 145,	41	10 25	51 25	<i>Friendship</i> , 210,	72	17 00	89 00
<i>Abell</i> , 146,	78	16 75	94 75	<i>San Benito</i> , 211,	69	17 25	86 25
<i>Eel River</i> , 147,	44	11 00	55 00	<i>So. San Franc.</i> 212,	50	11 25	61 25
<i>Lassen</i> , 149,	83	18 25	101 25	<i>Bodega</i> , 213,	17	3 50	20 50
<i>Molino</i> , 150,	50	10 00	60 00	<i>S. Buenav'ta</i> , 214,	77	18 00	95 00
<i>Palmyra</i> , 151,	84	18 00	102 00	<i>Oak Grove</i> , 215,	41	8 50	49 50
<i>Woodland</i> , 156,	83	20 75	103 75	<i>Doric</i> , 216,	131	23 50	154 50
<i>Gibsonville</i> , 158,	53	11 75	64 75	<i>Monterey</i> , 217,	29	7 00	36 00
<i>Pilot Hill</i> , 160,	20	5 00	25 00	<i>Pleasanton</i> , 218,	42	9 50	51 50
<i>Keystone</i> , 161,	22	5 00	27 00	<i>Speranza It'la</i> , 219,	61	15 25	76 25
<i>Harmony</i> , 164,	35	6 25	41 25	<i>Downey</i> , 220,	59	14 75	73 75
<i>Excelsior</i> , 166,	170	36 25	206 25	<i>Inyo</i> , 221,	69	9 00	78 00
<i>Alameda</i> , 167,	59	14 25	73 25	<i>Granite</i> , 222,	51	9 25	60 25
<i>San Mateo</i> , 168,	59	13 25	72 25	<i>Bakersfield</i> , 224,	42	9 00	51 00
<i>Mission</i> , 169,	201	43 75	244 75	<i>Brooklyn</i> , 225,	37	8 75	45 75
<i>Elk Grove</i> , 173,	32	7 50	39 50	<i>Hayward</i> , 226,	22	5 50	27 50
<i>Drytown</i> , 174,	24	6 00	30 00	<i>Contra Costa</i> , 227,	37	7 75	44 75
<i>Antioch</i> , 175,	47	11 75	58 75	<i>Athens</i> , 228,	33	8 25	41 25
<i>Merced</i> , 176,	25	6 25	31 25	<i>Solano</i> , 229,	72	17 25	89 25
<i>Azlan</i> , 177,	94	—	94 00	<i>North Butte</i> , 230,	58	9 25	67 25
<i>Phoenix</i> , 178,	81	18 25	99 25	<i>Covelo</i> , 231,	44	8 00	52 00
<i>Mendocino</i> , 179,	76	15 25	91 25	<i>Janesville</i> , 232,	41	7 75	48 75
<i>Arcturus</i> , 180,	81	17 75	98 75	<i>Calistoga</i> , 233,	40	8 25	48 25
<i>Russian River</i> , 181,	45	11 25	56 25	<i>Hope</i> , 234,	30	7 50	37 50
<i>Meridian</i> , 182,	28	7 00	35 00	<i>Surprise Valley</i> , 235,	42	8 00	50 00
<i>Clear Lake</i> , 183,	36	8 50	44 50	<i>Hill's Ferry</i> , 236,	48	8 25	56 25
<i>Sierra Valley</i> , 184,	45	9 75	54 75	<i>Guadalupe</i> , 237,	75	13 25	88 25
<i>Claiborne</i> , 185,	40	7 25	47 25	<i>Tyre</i> , 238,	27	6 50	33 50
<i>Evening Star</i> , 186,	56	11 50	67 50	<i>Pescadero</i> , 239,	20	4 25	24 25
<i>Keith</i> , 187,	61	15 25	76 25	<i>Equality</i> , 240,	63	13 75	76 75
<i>Oakland</i> , 188,	191	45 75	236 75	<i>Santa Ana</i> , 241,	41	10 00	51 00
<i>Latrobe</i> , 189,	23	5 75	28 75	<i>Magnolia</i> , 242,	51	10 00	61 00
<i>Northern Light</i> , 190,	59	12 00	71 00	<i>Eucalyptus</i> , 243,	18	4 25	22 25
<i>Marin</i> , 191,	51	12 00	63 00	<i>Alcatraz</i> , 244,	57	12 50	69 50
<i>Santa Barbara</i> , 192,	51	12 50	63 50	<i>Laurel</i> , 245,	54	8 50	62 50
<i>Ferndale</i> , 193,	51	12 75	63 75	<i>Pomona</i> , 246,	25	5 25	30 25
<i>Mountain View</i> , 194,	22	5 25	27 25	<i>Fresno</i> , U. D.,	45	6 50	51 50
<i>Buckeye</i> , 195,	62	14 50	76 50	<i>Alturas</i> , U. D.,	21	3 75	24 75
<i>San Simeon</i> , 196,	35	7 25	42 25	<i>Greenville</i> , U. D.,	27	6 00	33 00
<i>Wilmington</i> , 198,	31	7 75	38 75	<i>Adin</i> , U. D.,	17	3 50	20 50
<i>Hartley</i> , 199,	60	14 25	74 25	<i>Brotherhood</i> , U. D.,	14	2 75	16 75
<i>Truckee</i> , 200,	73	16 50	89 50	<i>Bodie</i> , U. D.,	13	3 25	16 25
<i>Silverville</i> , 201,	68	16 75	84 75				

Making the total amounts of dues,.....\$13,646 \$3,033 00 \$16,679 00

Your committee present the following statement, showing the comparative membership of the Lodges now in existence :—

Of those having two hundred members, or more, there are four, viz.: Nos. 1, 22, 44, and 136.

Of those having one hundred and fifty, and less than two hundred, there are six, viz.: Nos. 10, 30, 120, 144, 169, and 188.

Of those having one hundred, and less than one hundred and fifty, there are eighteen, viz.: Nos. 3, 9, 13, 17, 23, 38, 40, 42, 57, 58, 61, 68, 87, 110, 111, 127, 166, and 202.

Of those having seventy-five, and less than one hundred, there are twelve, viz.: Nos. 8, 12, 35, 39, 55, 77, 79, 128, 139, 156, 177, and 216.

Of those having fifty, and less than seventy-five, there are fifty-three, viz.: Nos. 2, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 41, 50, 59, 60, 64, 66, 70, 80, 84, 86, 95, 101, 102, 103, 117, 123, 124, 126, 131, 142, 146, 149, 151, 167, 168, 178, 179, 180, 187, 192, 193, 195, 199, 200, 201, 204, 206, 209, 210, 211, 214, 219, 220, 229, 237, 240, and 244.

Of those having thirty, and less than fifty, there are seventy-five, viz.: Nos. 5, 14, 16, 18, 24, 25, 28, 32, 33, 34, 37, 43, 45, 46, 47, 51, 56, 65, 78, 81, 83, 85, 88, 89, 91, 92, 93, 96, 99, 104, 106, 112, 113, 121, 122, 129, 134, 135, 140, 141, 145, 147, 150, 158, 173, 175, 181, 183, 184, 186, 190, 191, 198, 205, 207, 208, 212, 215, 218, 221, 222, 224, 225, 227, 228, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 241, 242, and 245.

Of those having twenty, and less than thirty, there are twenty-seven, viz.: Nos. 31, 62, 71, 76, 97, 98, 100, 108, 109, 119, 132, 133, 143, 160, 161, 164, 174, 176, 182, 185, 189, 194, 196, 217, 226, 233, and 246.

Of those having fifteen, and less than twenty, there are four, viz.: Nos. 138, 203, 239, and 243.

Of those having less than fifteen there are two, viz.: Nos. 114 and 213.

In conclusion, your committee report that, in the course of their examination, they find that the following twelve Lodges have conferred but two degrees each during the year, viz.: Nos. 37, 39, 45, 62, 97, 129, 161, 167, 173, 183, 207, and 225 :

That the following thirteen Lodges have conferred but one degree each during the year, viz.: Nos. 14, 26, 88, 91, 192, 194, 201, 203, 205, 217, 238, 241, and 243 :

That the following forty-two Lodges have conferred no degrees at all during the year, viz.: Nos. 8, 9, 19, 20, 28, 46, 56, 59, 65, 78, 83, 85, 96, 103, 104, 108, 109, 110, 113, 114, 121, 133, 138, 145, 147, 156, 160, 174, 175, 176, 181, 182, 187, 189, 193, 198, 211, 219, 220, 226, 228, and 234.

That the following seven Lodges have conferred no degrees at all during two years past, viz.: Nos. 8, 9, 19, 114, 160, 175, and 187 : and

That the following five Lodges have not conferred a degree during the last three years, viz.: Nos. 28, 96, 103, 108, and 189.

All which is respectfully submitted by

ISAAC UPHAM,	} Committee.
DIMSILL B. CARVER,	
OMRI BULLIS,	
ORANGE S. PALMER,	
JOHN W. MACKALL,	

Which reported was concurred in and ordered to be printed with the proceedings.

Bro. WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Grievances, presented the following report :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee have had before them the appeal of JAMES HOWARD from the action of *Ferndale* Lodge, No. 193, in expelling him from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, have carefully examined the so-called evidence upon which he was expelled, and report as follows :—

The accused was charged with misappropriation of a portion of the funds of the Lodge, he being at the time its Secretary. When the commissioners met, the accused was absent. He excuses himself for this on the ground that he came to Ferndale from a distance for the express purpose of being present and presenting his defense, which he claims would have fully exonerated him; that he supposed the meeting was called at seven and a half o'clock in the evening, whereas it appears that the time appointed was ten o'clock in the morning; and that, in his ignorance of this, he retired to a hotel and, having had no sleep for several nights, went to bed, and consequently was not aware that the trial was in progress until after its termination. These facts alone, if true, would seem to warrant your committee in sending back the case for a new trial; but apart from this, they should be compelled to take that course, for the reason that the transcript of the trial-record fails to show any evidence whatever to support the verdict.

The accused seems to think that a prejudice exists in the minds of some of the members of *Ferndale* Lodge, which might militate against him in a new trial, and asks that his case be transferred to some other Lodge in its vicinity; but your committee are confident that there is no necessity for this. They have too high an opinion of the average Masonic character to believe that commissioners chosen by any Lodge in this jurisdiction would decide against a brother when he was able to show that he was guiltless of the offense charged; and, in any event, should he deem himself to have been wronged, he has recourse to this Grand Lodge, in which he is sure to obtain full and ample justice. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the action of *Ferndale* Lodge, No. 193, in expelling JAMES HOWARD from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, be reversed and set aside, and that the case be remanded to the said Lodge for a new trial.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, }
JOHN C. PARTRIDGE, } Committee.
HENRY H. KNAPP, }

Which report was concurred in and the resolution accompanying it was adopted.

The Grand Treasurer presented the following additional report:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

The undersigned submits the following, in conformity to a resolution adopted at the last Annual Communication (see Proc. page 188), authorizing the Grand Treasurer to use all honorable means to collect the amount due to the Grand Lodge from the estate of our late Bro. JAMES LAIDLEY, deceased, and directing him to report the result of his efforts at this Communication:—

On the sixth day of September last, there was paid to the undersigned, by the executors of the said estate, the sum of five hundred and nineteen 12-100 dollars, being an instalment of ten per cent. on the claim which had been filed, which sum was paid to the Grand Secretary; and it is proper to state that our late Bro. JAMES LAIDLEY is entitled to be credited with the further sum of one hundred dollars, due him at the time of his death for salary as Grand Treasurer, which will leave the indebtedness at the present time four thousand four hundred and seventy-two 10-100 dollars.

All which is respectfully submitted by

MOSES HELLER, *Grand Treasurer*.

Which report was ordered to be referred to the Committee on Finances.

Bro. SILAS M. BUCK, from the special committee on the Report of the Grand Lecturer, submitted a report thereon; which, after some discussion, was ordered to be recommitted to the committee.

BRO. FRANK D. MEAD offered the following resolution, which was referred to the special committee named therein :—

Resolved, That the committee on the Report of the Grand Lecturer be directed to report to the Grand Lodge the monitorial work as adopted and published by the Grand Lodge in 1872, as the monitorial work of the Grand Lodge of California.

BRO. SILAS M. BUCK, from the special committee to whom had been referred that portion of the Grand Master's Address relative to Inspectors, presented the following report :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom was referred so much of the Grand Master's Address as relates to District Inspectors, have duly considered the same and report as follows :—

They recommend that all brethren within the jurisdiction, and particularly all officers of Lodges, should carefully heed the admonitions therein contained. In the case of the Lodge whose proceedings had not been entered in the record-book since 1863, and also of that one wherein a degree could not be conferred without the assistance of a neighboring Lodge, your committee think that their charters should have been arrested. They presume, however, that the Grand Master has administered a proper discipline.

The system of inspectorship has become an important adjunct to the governing power for the supervision of Lodges within this jurisdiction. If Inspectors are zealous in performing their duties, and prompt in communicating to the Grand Master all matters of interest concerning the several Lodges within their respective districts, it must be of great service to him in the exercise of the functions of his office. Your committee would call the particular attention of Inspectors to that portion of the Address which deals with information derived from them, and sets forth his deep disappointment that some of them should have neglected to report to him. To some extent, Inspectors exercise functions pertaining to the high office of Grand Master. Indeed, they occupy the position of local deputies. It is to be hoped that hereafter no Inspector will forget or neglect to perform his whole duty—what is expected from him by, and what is due to, his superior. The information obtained by the Grand Master from those Inspectors who have promptly reported to him, show how important it is that this part of their duty should never be neglected.

Your committee do not concur in the recommendation of the Grand Master that the reports of Inspectors should be printed with the published proceedings of the Grand Lodge. All information of importance to be derived from such reports can, and no doubt will, be epitomized and presented in the messages of the Grand Master and reports of the Grand Lecturer. If there should be a report of striking importance, it may readily be embodied in one of those documents. If they should be published in full, they will unduly increase the size and cost of our published proceedings. In order, however, to carry into effect more fully the recommendation as to making reports by Inspectors, the following resolution is offered for adoption :—

Resolved, That each and every Inspector in this jurisdiction be and is hereby required to forward to the Grand Master, on or before the first day of September in each year, a report showing the condition of every Lodge under his supervision, in the matter of working, keeping of books, etc., together with such observations and suggestions as may be of interest to the Grand Lodge.

All which is respectfully submitted by

SILAS M. BUCK,	} Committee.
ISAAC S. HALSEY,	
JOSEPH B. COOKE,	
DIMSDILL B. CARVER,	
GEORGE F. WOODERSON,	

Which report was concurred in and the resolution accompanying it was adopted.

BRO. GEORGE C. PERKINS, from the Committee on Finances, presented the following reports :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom were referred the books, vouchers, accounts, and other papers of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, report that they have carefully examined the same and find that they have been kept in a neat and thoroughly business-like manner; and that all disbursements have been made in accordance with the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge. They also find that the official bonds of the Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, and Trustees of the Reserve Fund, have been properly filed and approved by the Grand Master; and that regular settlements with, and transfers to, the Grand Treasurer have been made as required by our laws.

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition of *Hawaiian Lodge, No. 21*, as presented by its representative, asking that its dues for the past fiscal year be remitted, for the very sufficient reasons now and many times heretofore set forth, report the following resolution and recommend its adoption :—

Resolved, That the dues of *Hawaiian Lodge, No. 21*, for the year ending on the thirty-first day of July, 1878, be and are hereby remitted.

All which is respectfully submitted by

GEORGE C. PERKINS,	} Committee.
JOSIAH P. BROWN.	
ORRIN W. HOLLENBECK,	
JONATHAN D. HINES,	

Both which reports were concurred in and the resolution accompanying the last was adopted.

BRO. GEORGE C. PERKINS, from the same committee, presented a report relative to the Reserve Fund, a portion of which was concurred in and the consideration of the remainder was postponed until two and a half o'clock this afternoon.

BRO. LOUIS COHN presented a petition from GEORGE W. PAGET, heretofore suspended for unmasonic conduct by *Tehama Lodge, No. 3*, praying for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry; and

The Grand Secretary presented a petition from HENRY DANTZINGER, a member of the late *Progress Lodge, No. 125*, at the time of the revocation of its charter, praying that the dues which have accumulated against him be remitted and he again be placed in good standing :

Both which papers were ordered to be referred to the Committee on Grievances.

The Grand Secretary presented the credentials of the following named brethren as Representatives of other Grand Bodies near the Grand Lodge of California, viz. :—

The R. W. WILLIAM WILSON TRAYLOR, Senior Grand Warden, from the Grand Lodge of New Mexico; and

The V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, Grand Secretary, from the Grand Orient of Spain:

And those brethren were duly received and accredited in the capacities above named.

The Grand Secretary read certain letters for the information of the Grand Lodge, which required no action at this time.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Lodge.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Thursday, October 10th, A. L. 5878. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at two o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

Bro. THEODORE G. COCKRILL, from the Committee on Charters, presented the following reports:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Address relating to dispensations granted to form new Lodges, report that they approve of the Grand Master's action and concur with his views therein expressed. They also report as follows in regard to the record-books and petitions for charters of the Lodges existing under dispensation:—

The records of *Fresno* Lodge have been neatly and correctly kept, except that, since February last, no marginal notes have been made—to which the Secretary's attention is directed; the Lodge has twenty-six members and is free from debt; and the proposed Master and Wardens have the required certificates of qualification.

The records of *Alturas* Lodge have been well and, with some few exceptions, correctly kept; the proposed Master and Wardens have the required certificates of qualification; the Lodge has sixteen members; and, as your committee is assured by the Master, is free from debt.

The records of *Greenville* Lodge have been very well kept and are neatly written; the proposed Master and Wardens have the required certificates of qualification; and the Lodge has twenty-four members, with no debts, and a balance of cash on hand.

The records of *Adin* Lodge are written up with neatness and care, are in every particular correct, and too much praise cannot be awarded to the officers of said Lodge, especially to the Secretary, for the manner in which this duty has been performed. The Master and Wardens have the required certificates of qualification, and the Lodge has fourteen members and is free from debt.

The records of *Brotherhood* Lodge have been correctly kept and are neatly written, with proper marginal notes; the proposed Master and Wardens have the required certificates of qualification; and the Lodge has eleven members and is free from debt. Your committee notice, however, that several of the members, in signing the by-laws, have failed to give their full names; and the attention of the officers of the Lodge is called to that fact, in order that the defect may be remedied.

In regard to *Bodie* Lodge, several omissions are observed in the book of records. and, as it has been in existence but a very short time, it is thought well that a longer period be given it in which to exhibit specimens of its work.

Your committee therefore offer the following resolutions and recommend their adoption :—

Resolved, That charters be granted to *Fresno* Lodge, at Fresno, Fresno County ; to *Alturas* Lodge, at Alturas, Modoc County ; to *Greenville* Lodge, at Greenville, Plumas County ; to *Adin* Lodge, at Adin, Modoc County ; and to *Brotherhood* Lodge, at Duncan's Mills, Sonoma County ; and that the said Lodges be numbered in the order of the dates of their several dispensations.

Resolved, That the dispensation to *Bodie* Lodge, at Bodie, in the county of Mono, be continued until the thirtieth day of September, 1879.

Your committee to whom was referred certain portions of the Grand Secretary's Report relating to dispensations granted, charter surrendered, etc., report that they approve the action of the Grand Secretary in the issuance of a certified copy of the charter of *Vacaville* Lodge, No. 134, to replace the original destroyed by the burning of their hall ; and that, in their judgment, the surrender of the charter of *Mau'i* Lodge, No. 223, should be accepted.

Your committee therefore offer the following resolutions and recommend their adoption :—

Resolved, That the action of the Grand Secretary in issuing a certified copy of its charter to *Vacaville* Lodge, No. 134, be and is hereby approved.

Resolved, That the surrender of the charter of *Mau'i* Lodge, No. 223, be and is hereby accepted.

All which is respectfully submitted by

THEODORE G. COCKRILL,	} Committee.
JOHN PASHBURG,	
JOHN CALDWELL,	
ADOLPHUS HEWEL,	
ELIJAH T. FARMER,	

Both which reports were concurred in and the several resolutions accompanying them were adopted.

The M. W. JONATHAN DRAKE STEVENSON, Past Grand Master, appeared and took his seat.

BRO. GEORGE C. PERKINS, from the Committee on Finances, presented the following reports :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Address of the Grand Master relating to the creation of a Grand Lodge Charity Fund, and the refusal of *Monterey* Lodge, No. 217, to reimburse *Eureka* Lodge, No. 16, for moneys expended to relieve the family of a member of *Monterey* Lodge, report as follows :—

In relation to the creation of a charity fund, while admiring the eloquent earnestness of the Grand Master upon this subject, and honoring the generous impulses which impelled him to the expression of such broad and humane views, your committee are nevertheless of the opinion that charity can be much better administered by the several subordinate Lodges and boards of relief, and that, to that end, the Grand Lodge dues and levies should be reduced to the lowest practicable limit. They are aware that, in times of dire calamity like that which lately afflicted the States of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee, it is convenient to have a fund ready for immediate use ; but in such cases, the open, generous Masonic heart always makes a timely and liberal response, upon which we can safely rely.

In relation to the refusal of *Monterey* Lodge to reimburse *Eureka* Lodge for money paid to relieve the family of a member of the first named Lodge, your committee fully indorse the suggestion of the Grand Master, and are decided in the opinion that *Monterey* Lodge is under Masonic obligation to repay *Eureka* Lodge for its disbursements.

Your committee, to whom was referred the bill of the Grand Lecturer for necessary expenses incurred in attending upon official visits made in the performance of his duties, report that they have carefully examined the same and recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred and forty-five dollars is hereby appropriated, out of the General Fund of the Grand Lodge, to pay the necessary traveling expenses of the Grand Lecturer incurred during the past year.

Your committee, to whom was referred a communication from the Master of *San Jose* Lodge, No. 10, relative to the grave of our deceased brother, LEVI STOWELL, are of the opinion that the matter is a proper subject for the action of *California* Lodge, No. 1, of which the deceased brother was a member; and they suggest the transmission of the communication to that Lodge, with the recommendation that the kindly proposition which it contains receive the generous consideration thereof.

Your committee, to whom was referred a resolution relative to the payment of Grand Lodge dues in “any legal tender coin of the United States,” have considered the same and are of the opinion that the resolution relating to payment of such dues already in force is the better practice, and they recommend that such resolution be adhered to.

All which is respectfully submitted by

GEORGE C. PERKINS,	} Committee.
JOSIAH P. BROWN,	
ORRIN W. HOLLENBECK,	
JONATHAN D. HINES,	

All which reports were concurred in and the resolution accompanying the second was adopted.

BRO. PETER K. AUSTIN offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence :—

Resolved, That the Secretaries of the several Lodges in this jurisdiction be required, in their annual returns, to report the financial condition of their respective Lodges.

The hour for the special order—being that portion of the report of the Committee on Finances relative to certain matters concerning the Reserve Fund, which had been postponed this morning—having arrived, the consideration of that subject was resumed.

BRO. WILLIAM H. HILL moved that that portion of the report be stricken out ; which motion did not prevail : and,

On motion of BRO. HAMILTON C. HARRISON, it was ordered that said portion of the report be recommitted to the committee.

The Grand Orator, BRO. THOMAS GUARD, then delivered the annual oration to the Grand Lodge, as follows :—

MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER

AND BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE:—

I am but a novice in Masonry, for “I am but of yesterday” as to my membership, compared with many of the sage and venerable brethren before me. This will plead for me should I fail in my endeavor to express a few of my convictions regarding our honorable fraternity. But, what I lack in age of membership, may be made up by fullness of youthful fervor and ardent admiration of the system into whose mysteries I have had the honor of initiation. To me it has all the fascination of novelty, and in me there burns all the enthusiasm of a first love. From the freshness of my motions I give utterance to thoughts of the hour.

Our system has many elements of attraction, and seems to me to have incorporated not a few principles fitted to impart stability and guarantee a noble immortality.

I. It potently appeals to us by its antiquity. We are so constituted by our Creator as to be susceptible of such an appeal. Vastness of duration gratifies our sense of the sublime, inspires us with awe, lifts us into a mood of reverence, chastens and subdues the spirit. Thus the ocean touches us, for it is old. Navies have swept its waters and commerce plowed its billows; but it is older than the white-winged ships of Tarshish or the men of war that roamed amidst the Isles of Greece, at once repellers of the Persian tyrant and defenders of their own most sacred liberties. Old! Who knows when it lay in the hollow of God’s hand, even as a dew-drop within a rose-bud, until He had carved for it a dwelling-place in earth’s deep bosom, and there set it to be the everlasting mirror of His own infinitude? Its age overpowers and spell-binds us. But even this aged thing is as nothing compared with His age who is the Supreme Architect of the Universe, and in whom we place our trust. He is the Ancient of days. When not a billow heaved, not a wild bird sang, not an ancient hill kissed the heavens; when not a ray of light had traveled, not a planet wheeled, not a sun burned; when not a seraph had waved his pinion, or, with the wing wherewith he swept into the presence of His Maker, veiled his face—then was He, the All-Sufficient, the I-Am; and, in His Nature, the very principles which form the essence and strength of our ancient Order—truth, justice, love, dwelt; having neither beginning of day, nor end of life. Our principles are as old as God.

And, going back to the distinguished persons of whom we speak as the historic founders of our Order, through what centuries are we borne; on what ruins of empires look we down. Dynasties blotted out; seats of kingdoms transferred from oriental to western capitals, from southern to temperate zones; the Cæsars no more; the Ptolemies forgotten; the teachers, artists, poets, orators, statesmen of Greece, but a name and a memory. But in us there glows the fire of an unwasted youth. We, after the rush of centuries, renew our youth like the eagle! We, despite the perils and trials and slanders of foes, secular and spiritual, ask our enemies to trace a wrinkle upon our brow, or pluck a gray hair from our exuberant locks. We, like Israel’s great leader, after the lapse of near three thousand years, move forth, bathed in the dew of the morning, with eye undimmed, with form erect, with natural strength unabated, destined to run a race with time, and prove, in our principles, heirs of a radiant and rapturous immortality.

II. It appeals to us by the element of the mysterious. This susceptibility of our nature is incessantly touched, from the moment of our entrance upon life. We enter at birth a universe in which wonder is excited, curiosity elicited, investigation challenged, at every step of our progress from the cradle to the tomb. Every leaf incloses a mystery, every atom is a world, and every insect an abyss of wonders. The ceaseless play of life within me, the genesis of a thought, the growth of a habit, the formation of character,—a mystery, over which a PLATO bends with fervent gaze, and in whose mazes a LOCKE may well lose his way. And this mysteriousness, investing all things, is no mean stimulant in the breast and brain of traveler and explorer,—of

scholar poring over dusty scroll,—of scientist, as he follows the comet,—as he deciphers the fossilography of the hoary hills,—as he “fixes a sunbeam,” and cross-questions it by his spectrum,—as he heaves the lead in the ethereal waters of his unseen spirit; or as, with BANCROFT, he explores the sepulchral ruins of the tribes that once lived and roamed, hunted, fought, and died, when our forefathers worshiped THOR, or burned incense at the shrine of WODEN.

Man is “Nature’s Priest,” and as he pursues his researches he is but lifting, fold after fold, the veils suspended in Nature’s temple; and each parted veil at once admits him within a light of revelation more startling and enravishing, and gives his clarified eye to look upon another curtain of mystery, behind which lurk secrets yet more subtle,—wonders still more entrancing. The greater the mysteries solved the profounder is the conviction that these are but transparencies compared with the thicker curtains that yet shall dare the trembling fingers to lift or part them. No one is so alive to the fact of mystery as the man most wealthy in his acquisition of the lore of physics and of metaphysics. And yet the mystery is not because of scantiness, but because of superfluity of the element. “It is dark with excess of light.”

The light of morning revealing, after a starless night of tempest, while it dissolves the mystery of the gloom, spreads before and around me new mysteries: a mystery in every pebble and in every plant; in every insect’s instinct and in every wild bird’s plumage; in every snow-flake and in every gem; in every laughing, leaping school-boy’s spirit; and in every venerable politician who assures us that he has expended the vitality of his brain and being in self-sacrificing service for his country’s weal. Mystery! mystery! It is everywhere; and when, by dying, we shall pass “within the veil,” while upon much, if not all, the mystery of this life explanatory light shall fall—never as then shall the soul apprehend the Inscrutability of being. Then, as for the first time, shall the marvels of existence move the fountain of the great deep of our nature, and bear us away and away for aye in effort to solve, discover, and explore. This is one of the charms of the life that now is; it shall be no less an element in the felicity of the life that is to come.

Our Order gratifies and provides for the healthy play of our nature by its sublime mysteries. And these are not mysteries of iniquity. Slandorous libels have been uttered respecting them, I know. They are but the spiteful, the malignant fabrications of sanguinary fanatics or of a depraved priesthood. With ignoble deeds of darkness we have no sympathy. Of what we do, of what we teach, we fear not any criticism. Honor is sacred; reputation is inviolably shielded; and every brother can exclaim, “I dare do all that may become a man!”

Who can object to or oppose such a system as ours? Is he a moralist? Then here may he learn the purest ethics and practice the most manly virtues. Is he a patriot? Then here may he be helped in the culture of those principles which uphold government, reverence law, and promote that righteousness which exalts a nation. Is he a philanthropist? Then we can assure him that no less profoundly than he do we believe that pure Masonry, and undefiled before God the Father, is this—that we visit the widow and the fatherless in their affliction, and keep ourselves unspotted in the world. Is he an antiquarian? Then here are hoary annals for his study and antique customs for his scrutiny. Is he a poet? Then here are symbols for his fancy, and sublimities for his imagination. Is he a presbyter or priest? Then we tell him that religion shall find in us one of her most useful auxiliaries, one of her most fair and generous handmaidens, and that the theology which he *inculcates* we live to *embody*. We, as he, believe in one God; as he, in one great light of conduct, the Holy Bible; as he, in one great comfort and help in all seasons of trial, peril, woe,—even prayer; and as, he, anticipate another and a better world.

III. It appeals to us as made for self-government. At an early stage we are reminded of the duty of self-rule. The Compass is the impressive symbol of this capability of our nature. This is manhood. What is manhood without self-rule? Our

nature is placed in our own care, subject to our own control, at the will of our own capacity of self-disposal. What we shall make of ourselves depends upon self-government. To what extent we shall develop our being depends upon self-government. Whether our career shall be one of beauty and of blessedness, or one of meanness and of malediction, depends upon self-government. Self-government restrains, but, by restraining, conserves—by restraining, intensifies. This makes man noble. Matter, the servant of mind; instinct, the servant of reason; impulse, the servant of duty; pleasure, the servant of principle—aye, this is manhood, and this is to be a Mason. This is to be a Freemason. Free—there is melody in the word—there is divinity in the thought—free! freedom! This hath given eloquence to the tongue of the stammerer; this hath breathed inspiration through the heart of the prosaic and made him a poet; this hath studded the duskiest heavens of tyranny with most lustrous orbs—the heroes of all ages; this hath impelled the chariot of human civilization; this hath peopled the forest with those armies of the Invincibles of our race, who, rather than pawn away their birthright of liberty, dared the perils of tempest and of billow, of wildest savage and of fiercest clime; gave up their all of home and country; bade farewell to the sepulchres of their holy dead and to the shrines of their holy faith; that, beneath foreign skies and on virgin soil, they might lay broad and deep the basis of a new temple, within whose walls freemen should worship, think, and breathe, unharmed by priest, unawed by king: truth its only, but all-sufficient, strength; purity its chief, but never-fading, ornament; and love, the light-bathed atmosphere in which it should repose, long as the sun and moon endure. And, as builders of that shrine and guardians of it, we Freemasons vow to practice the sublime craftsmanship of self-government; remembering that “he who striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things;” never forgetting that “greater is he who ruleth his own spirit than he who taketh a city.”

And what a province of self-government is that of the tongue! We are men, for we can speak. We can engage in a commerce of thought by language. All I have of feeling, culture, motive, by speech may be yours, to thrill with ecstasy, to inflame with rage, to pollute fancy, or to purify taste. For there is the witty tongue, with its lightning-like flashes, rapid combinations, subtle and exquisite affinities of strange extremes, eliciting at once the wonder and the admiration of all who listen. There is the eloquent tongue, moving all hearts with its pathos, instructing all understanding with its condensed wisdom, and marshaling all wills into harmony of purpose and unity of action by its impassioned pleadings. There is the tongue of the tale-bearer, scattering seeds of strife and sowing germs of suspicion in the hearts of trusted friends and honored brethren. There is the tongue of the false, ever weaving webwork of deceit wherewith to enmesh the innocent, the unwary, and the ingenuous; full of all subtlety, sophistry, or innuendo; moving but to blight reputation; acting but to engender an universal doubt which may fittingly force itself in the exceeding bitter cry—“All men are liars.” And, there is the tongue unclean, with its filthy joke, its lewd story, its obscene double meaning; and all to win a laugh—to court a smile. Good God! what a perversion of this glory of our manhood! A man unsluicing the fountain of his filthy heart, that the foetid torrent may rush forth to carry along its desolating course corruption that shall foul the memory and stain the imagination of all through whom, as hearers, the loathsome current flows. Ah! this is enough to make the angels weep. Talk of a living, moving leper, touching but to taint, breathing but to poison the physical life of man! He is health, he is beauty, compared with him whose speech is mildew and death to all that is fair in fancy and sweet in feeling in the nature of the youthful listener. Brethren, here is a most legitimate sphere for the application of self-government. Let us renew again and again our oath and obligation to repress and put down all and every tendency to such speech as, if indulged, insults the genius of our venerable Craft. Remember that you cannot recall your words. You might as well attempt to call back the light

of morning, once it hath streamed from the fountain of the Orient; you might as well hope to arrest the lightning, once it hath leaped from the secret place of thunder; you might as well hope with a gossamer web to stem Niagara, in its fury of resistless rush, as to recall the word let loose by your consent. It has become one of the active energies of the universe. It is destined to immortality by the law of conservation of forces. Its history henceforth shall be one of ceaseless blessing or ceaseless curse. And, once again shall the speaker hear it as it travels round the whispering gallery of space.

IV. There is the law of having mutual help. This was one of the prime movers in the breasts of those who fashioned the frame-work of our fraternity. This has never been lost sight of by the master-builders of our institution. This is the cement which binds, as with the law of gravitation, the edifice of Masonry into imperishable strength. Remove that principle and the structure totters, crumbles, and becomes the very "abomination of desolation." Mutual help—it is a divine law. By it the Supreme Architect orders and upholds all things. Around us and below us and above us, we meet with it in ceaseless operation. The flowers live for the insect and the insect for the flower; the hills live for the valleys and the clouds live for the hills; the ocean lives for the dry-land and the rivers of the dry-land live for the ocean. Everything leans on and helps to bear up everything beyond, below, or above itself. The heavens lean on the earth, and the earth reflects the splendor of the heavens from its laughing valleys, its snow-capped sierras, and its ever-changing seas. Earth lives for man and man lives for the earth, to develop, defend, and decorate it by his wise and generous sovereignty o'er it. And shall not man live for his fellow-man? Shall not experience instruct artlessness, learning enlighten ignorance? Shall not gladness dispel sorrow, and youthful might give its arm to tottering age, and affluence become the almoner of heaven to homes of penury and victims of bereavement and disaster? Thus the poverty of my brother may make me rich in goodness; the feebleness of my neighbor may make me strong in sympathy; the loneliness of my companion may make me opulent in all the social affinities or affections of my being. Mine is an altogether ampler and loftier being by so much as I live beyond myself; receive but to give; acquire but to distribute; and go forth under the impelling conviction that I am debtor to every man less happy, less cultured, less honored than myself. Let sorrow wail, I weep; let laughter clap its hands with joy, I swell the glad acclaim by laughter just as loud.

What is a man left to himself? Less than nothing and vanity; an embodiment of impotence and ignorance, crudeness and uncouthness; his powers palsied, his faculties torpid, his being a dwarfed and shriveled abortion. He is made incomplete because made for another to be his help-mate, or help-meet; a hook without an eye; a ball without its socket; a mortise without its tenon.

Civilization is impossible without mutual help. United, man unlocks the treasures of his heart, lets loose the fountain of his fancy, wings the pinion of his reason, develops the potencies of his speech, educes the skill of his fingers, the ken of his vision, and the music which slumbers in his chords of hearing. United, he beats back the ocean or levels the Alps; from sand-hills calls into veritable existence the Queen City of the Golden Gate; and from the morasses of the lake bids a Chicago into splendid being, as by the fiat of an omnific necromancer.

No mutual benefit association are we; yet live we to prove that we are "our brother's keeper," and that only as we "bear one another's burdens" are we fulfilling the law of Masonry.

V. To me it seems a most beautiful thing that we should have as our first Great Masters those whose craft engaged them in the building of a temple. Others might have been selected. For builders of that age there were other than Solomon and his companions. But not by chance was it that the historic founders of our fraternity were men engaged in a work so God-like. Not from the midst of Masons engaged in piling pyramids wherein Egypt's despots might, as embalmed mummies, number;

not from the hosts of Masons engaged in building palaces wherein luxury and licentiousness might revel and rule—palaces, symbols of cruelty, of blood, and fraud; not from the circles of Masons employed in constructing triumphal arches beneath which conquerors laureled with victory and sated with applause might pass—conquerors whose pastime was murder, whose hordes were minions of tyranny, whose career was devastation, and whose bloodletting sufficed to “incarnadine the ocean, making the green one red;” not from circles of men engaged in any, or in all of labors such as these: but from Masons whose skill and toil were consecrated to a work so holy as that of building a temple for the worship of the one living and true God—as if to tell us that our Masonic life springs from religion, is nourished by religion, and must ever repose and flourish engirdled by religion, even as the worshippers within the sacred edifice on Zion’s crest.

VI. And then, the Builders, the Master Masons, and Grand Masters. Who were they? They were of different nationalities; they were of different social standing. There was the Hebrew and the Phœnician; there was the Jew and the Gentile; there was the monarch and the subject; there was the opulent Solomon, and there was the needy artisan, the son of “the widow woman.” Again, a beautiful symbol, or series of symbols. Within our fraternity nationality is unknown. Here, I, though an Anglo-Saxon, grasp the hand of a son of Abraham—I, one of the descendants of Japhet, he one of the descendants of Shem. Here, royalty sits side by side with the chief magistrate of a Republic. Here, opulence grasps the horny fist of him who wields the chisel or who drives the plow. And here, loneliness and want and sorrow find sure help and solace, for the widow’s son may leave a widow and a son as well—the objects at once of our tenderest pity and our most generous benefactions.

VII. Immortality is ours. Yonder our system warrants us in looking. The acacia sprig speaks of a life that survives the grave—of a being that smiles at death’s darts—of a manhood “born to the purple” of an immortal kingship. For that, we are urged to live. From that, we are urged to gather inspiration for the life that now is. Our ranks are suffering loss by the removal thence of honored and trusted brothers. *They are not lost.* They still practice their sublime art in building up edifices of knowledge, wisdom, and joy, in some distant region of the Supreme Architect’s domain. We shall meet them, if we be true and humble and faithful men. Aye, we shall meet them in possession of highest Masonic honors, and within the enclasping shelter of the most perfect of Masonic workmanship; *most perfect*; for is it not a “city which hath foundation?” Is it not a city, “foursquare,” having gates north, south, east, and westward? Is not that Masonic? And we shall have our Great Light, even the Builder and Maker Himself; and there shall be no need of the light of the candle. And there shall be no temple; no temple, as there shall be no tomb; no tomb, for all shall be life; no temple, for the spanless city is itself the temple—“the house not made by hands eternal in the heavens.” Within that foursquare city our brotherhood is gathering as the stream of time flows onward.

They come from the ends of the earth,
White with its aged snows;
From the bounding breast of the tropic tide,
Where the day-beam ever glows.

From the east, where first they dwelt,
From the north and the south and the west;
Where the sun puts on his robe of light,
And lays down his crown to rest.

God grant us all to meet there and answer to the roll-call of the Grand Lodge of a glorified humanity.

On motion of Bro. WILLIAM H. HILL, it was ordered that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be tendered to the Grand Orator for his

eloquent address, and that he be requested to furnish a copy thereof for publication with the transactions of this Communication.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until seven and a half o'clock this evening.

In Grand Lodge.

 EVENING SESSION,
Thursday, October 10th, A. L. 5878. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at seven and a half o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

The Grand Lecturer exemplified the work in the third degree of Masonry.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

In Grand Lodge.

 MORNING SESSION,
Friday, October 11th, A. L. 5878. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at ten o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

After music by the choir and prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the minutes of the sessions of yesterday were read and approved.

Bro. GEORGE T. GRIMES, from the Committee on Credentials, reported the following additional officers of Lodges, and Past Masters by service within this jurisdiction, as being present and entitled to seats, viz :—from

<i>Benicia</i> , ...	No. 5.....	GEORGE POOR, Past Master.
<i>Corinthian</i> ,.....	No. 9,.....	NORMAN DUNNING RIDEOUT, Past Master.
<i>San Jose</i> ,.....	No. 10,.....	WILLIAM BENSLEY SHOEMAKER, Master and P. M.
<i>Yount</i> , ...	No. 12,.....	FINIS EWING JOHNSTON, Master and P. Master.
<i>Sacramento</i> ,.....	No. 40,.....	JOSEPH SCOTT, Past Master.
<i>Martinez</i> ,.....	No. 41,....	LEWIS CASS WITTENMYER, Master and P. Master; ISIDOR WEISS, Past Master.
<i>Fidelity</i> ,.....	No. 120,.....	JULIUS PLATCHECK, Past Master.
<i>Crockett</i> ,.....	No. 139,.....	CARSTEN HILDEBRANDT, Past Master.

<i>Excelsior</i> ,.....	No. 166,....	{ THEODORE EDWARD SMITH, ALEXANDER MARTIN, JOHN MARTIN CURRIER,	} Past Masters.
<i>Oakland</i> , ...	No. 188,.....	NATHAN WESTON SPAULDING,	Past Master.
<i>Rio Vista</i> ,.....	No. 208,....	{ JOSIAH POOLE, ABRAHAM FARR HITCHCOCK,	} Past Masters.
<i>South San Francisco</i> , No. 212,.....		HENRY FAIRFAX WILLIAMS,	Past Master.
<i>Oak Grove</i> ,.....	No. 215,.....	ELIPHALET MINOR SMITH,	Master and P. Master.
<i>Speranza Italiana</i> , ...	No. 219,....	{ GUISEPPE CARLO SALA, Senior Warden. ANTONIO DANERI, Junior Warden.	
<i>Janesville</i> ,.....	No. 232,.....	LEVI NEWTON BREED,	Master and Past Master.

The R. W. CHARLES EDWARD MITCHELL, Past Junior Grand Warden, appeared and took his seat.

Sundry brethren were excused for non-attendance upon the first day of the Communication, and sundry others were also excused from further attendance after this day.

The Grand Secretary presented a petition from *Clinton Lodge*, No. 119, for a duplicate of its charter, the original having been destroyed by fire; which was referred to the Committee on Charters:

He also presented a petition from Bro. JOHN S. WOOLSEY asking that he be reinstated in his membership in *Keith Lodge*, No. 187, a dimit having been issued to him without his knowledge or request; which was referred to the Committee on Grievances.

The Grand Master announced the appointment of Bro. NATHANIEL GREENE CURTIS to fill a vacancy in the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Bro. WILLIAM A. DAVIES, in accordance with a previous notice, offered a resolution to change the regulation relative to the method of balloting for the elective officers; which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Bro. WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Grievances, presented the following reports:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

In the matter of the appeal of CHARLES LYMAN from the action of *Claiborne Lodge*, No. 185, suspending him from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, your committee report that they have thoroughly investigated the case, not only by a careful examination of the evidence as presented in the trial-record, but also by giving a patient hearing to the statements of the representative of the Lodge on the one part and of the appellant on the other.

The accused was convicted on the ground that he had used undue influence to procure a loan of a portion of the Lodge funds to one MINOR, falsely representing that the money was to be used by the said MINOR in the prosecution of his regular business, when, in point of fact, the money was to be paid to himself to reimburse a loan which he had previously made to the said MINOR. The representative of the Lodge states that no man stood higher in the opinion of the community and of the Masonic fraternity than the accused, prior to this transaction; and many prominent Masons, among them some of the present and past Grand Officers of this Grand Lodge, have

confirmed this statement, and have also affirmed the present status of the appellant as being, in their opinion, that of a man of integrity and worthy of all confidence.

The accused does not deny that he did use his influence to procure the loan, nor that the money, when received from the Lodge, was paid over to him; but he states that the matter had been talked over by members of the Lodge and by its finance committee; that it was well understood that, in all probability, the money would be loaned to this MINOR at the next regular meeting of the Lodge; and that, to assist the brother in his immediate needs, fully believing that the Lodge would make the loan, he advanced the amount. Furthermore it appears that the appellant, with others, became security for the amount loaned, and that the Lodge has already been reimbursed.

Your committee are of the opinion that, under these circumstances, the verdict of the commissioners was unnecessarily harsh, and, as the brother, if he committed any fault, has already been sufficiently punished, they think that the interests of Masonry will not suffer if he be reinstated. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the action of *Claiborne* Lodge, No. 185, in suspending CHARLES LYMAN from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, be, and is hereby, reversed and set aside.

Your committee, to whom was referred the transcript of the trial-record in the case of JAMES EDWIN GRIFFIN, suspended for unmasonic conduct by *Pentalpha* Lodge, No. 202, report that they have carefully examined the same and find that the proceedings were in accordance with our regulations, and that the evidence fully justifies the verdict. They therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That the action of *Pentalpha* Lodge, No 202, in suspending JAMES EDWIN GRIFFIN from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, be and is hereby affirmed.

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry of HENRY LYSTER, heretofore suspended for unmasonic conduct by *Pajaro* Lodge, No. 110, report that, after a careful examination of the testimony adduced at the trial, they find the charges to have arisen solely from business troubles, that they were not fully supported by the evidence, and that, had the petitioner appealed at the time to the Grand Lodge, it is more than probable that the decision of the commissioners would have been reversed. But our Constitution provides (see Sec. 5, Art. V, Part VI,) that “whenever any Mason, suspended for unmasonic conduct, desires to petition the Grand Lodge for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry, he shall *first* make application for such restoration to the Lodge by which he was suspended,” etc. It does not appear that the petitioner has yet taken that necessary step, and, consequently, your committee can take no action in the matter.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS,	} Committee.
LEWIS F. JONES,	
JOHN C. PARTRIDGE,	
HENRY H. KNAPP,	

All which reports were concurred in and the resolutions accompanying the first and second were adopted.

Bro. JONATHAN D. HINES, from the Committee on Finances, presented the following reports:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom was referred those portions of the Report of the Grand Secretary relative to the proposed transfer to *Hawaiian* Lodge, No. 21, at Honolulu, of the moneys paid over to this Grand Lodge by *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, upon the surrender of its charter; and to the circular from Masons at Beyrout, Syria, asking for a contribution to assist in maintaining schools in that country, together with the papers and documents relating thereto, have considered the same and report as follows :—

Inasmuch as the Grand Lodge has received from the late *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, the sum of four hundred and seventeen dollars and ten cents, which was paid into its treasury by brethren in the Hawaiian Islands during the Masonic existence of that Lodge; and in view of the fact that the remaining members thereof propose to become members of *Hawaiian* Lodge, No. 21, which is sorely pressed to provide means for the assistance of the many destitute brethren who apply for aid at that distant and somewhat isolated locality, your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the aforementioned sum of four hundred and seventeen dollars and ten cents, received by this Grand Lodge from the late *Maui* Lodge, No. 223, be appropriated and paid over to *Hawaiian* Lodge, No. 21.

Your committee further report that the appeal for assistance from the far-off brethren of Beyrout, Syria, must necessarily excite our deepest sympathy, but that, in view of the general business depression throughout our jurisdiction, and the numerous demands upon the resources of our brethren for charitable purposes near our own doors, it is deemed inexpedient at present to appropriate any sum for that purpose which would be regarded as either generous or respectable.

Your committee have duly considered what sums of money will be necessary to pay salaries and expenses and conduct the business of the Grand Lodge for the ensuing year, and recommend that the following appropriations be made from the general fund for those purposes :—

For expenses of the elective Grand Officers and of this Communication, . . .	\$ 100 00
For printing, rent, and other expenses of the Grand Secretary's office, ...	3000 00
For salary of the Grand Secretary, ...	3000 00
For salary of the Assistant Grand Secretary, ...	1500 0
For salary of the Grand Treasurer, ...	100 00
For salary of the Grand Organist, ...	50 00
For salary of the Grand Tyler, ...	100 00
For services of the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, ...	200 00
For contingent expenses of the Grand Master, ...	200 00

In all amounting to the sum of \$8250 00
 And being \$1675 00 less than the appropriations of the last year. To this must also be added the sum of \$1500 00 drawn by order of the Grand Master for the relief of the yellow fever sufferers in the States of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee, which drafts have already been legalized and approved by the Grand Lodge.

Your committee, to whom was referred the reports of the Masonic Boards of Relief of the cities of San Francisco, Sacramento, Stockton, and Los Angeles, report that they have examined the receipts and expenditures thereof and find, so far as the reports show, that the moneys intrusted to their care have been judiciously expended. No report has been received from the Board of Relief at Santa Barbara, to which the Grand Lodge appropriated the sum of one hundred dollars at its last Communication.

The great good which these Boards of Relief are daily doing, especially that of San Francisco, where there is a heavy tax upon the membership of the Lodges, and the custom of this Grand Lodge, seem to demand a liberal appropriation, and your committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the sum of twenty-six hundred dollars be appropriated from the general fund, to be distributed among the several Boards of Relief as follows: To that at San Francisco, two thousand dollars; to that at Sacramento, three hundred dollars; to that at Los Angeles, two hundred dollars; and to that at Stockton, one hundred dollars.

Your committee, to whom was referred the report of the Grand Treasurer, giving a history of the Reserve Fund, have carefully examined that paper in connection with the reports to which it refers, and find it to be a full and faithful compilation of all the facts in relation to that subject, as found in the published proceedings of our Grand Lodge. No action thereupon appears to be required.

* Your committee, to whom was referred the report of the present Trustees of the Reserve Fund, have examined that paper, with the bank-book accompanying it, and find that there is now on deposit with the Odd Fellows' Savings Bank of this city, to the credit of said Trustees, the sum of two thousand seven hundred and thirty dollars and twenty-four cents. They recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Reserve Fund be authorized and empowered, as soon as the interest for the current term be paid by the Odd Fellows' Savings Bank upon the sum belonging to said fund now deposited therewith, to purchase bonds of the United States for all moneys in their possession, belonging to the Grand Lodge, and to place the same in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor.

All which is respectfully submitted by

GEORGE C. PERKINS, JOSIAH P. BROWN, ORRIN W. HOLLENBECK, JONATHAN D. HINES,	}	Committee.
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All which reports were concurred in and the resolutions accompanying the first, third, and fifth were adopted.

BRO. JONATHAN D. HINES, from the same committee, to whom had been recommitted a portion of a report upon certain matters relative to the Reserve Fund, submitted yesterday, presented another report upon that subject; which was concurred in and a resolution accompanying it was adopted, but it was subsequently ordered that the report and resolution be not printed.

BRO. WILEY J. TINNIN offered a resolution relative to the Trustees of the Reserve Fund; which was referred to the Committee on Finances.

BRO. HENRY S. ORME, from the special committee to whom was referred the subject of the decease of Bro. MOODY and HAIGHT, presented the following reports:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom were referred those portions of the Grand Master's Address and the Grand Secretary's Report, relating to the death of our beloved brother, WILLIAM EDWARD MOODY, late Assistant Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, report as follows:—

* This report of the Committee on Finances is that portion of one presented yesterday, which was then concurred in and the accompanying resolution adopted.

Death at all times is to be expected, but when a friend and brother, like him to whom this tribute is paid, is taken from our midst, it comes upon us with overwhelming force and overpowering sorrow. The services rendered by him in behalf of this Grand Lodge may not at all times have been fully recognized, but they have won for him a place in our hearts and affections, which even time itself cannot obliterate. Personally known to so many in the jurisdiction, there is scarcely a Lodge or a Masonic body wherein he did not have many friends who appreciated his worth and who unite with us in lamenting his loss. Eminently social, gentle, kind, and obliging, the feelings occasioned by his untimely death are peculiarly sorrowful.

Well merited are the tributes paid to his memory by our *M. W.* Grand Master and *V. W.* Grand Secretary, and your committee would adopt their words, indorsing to the fullest extent the appreciation expressed by them. The following resolutions are submitted and recommended for adoption:—

Resolved, That in testimony of our love and esteem, a mourning page of our proceedings be set apart and dedicated to the memory of our late Assistant Grand Secretary, Bro. WILLIAM EDWARD MOODY.

Resolved, That the heartfelt sympathy of this Grand Lodge is hereby tendered to the bereaved widow of our deceased brother.

Your committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Address which alludes to the decease of our late honored and esteemed brother, HENRY HUNTLEY HAIGHT, late Grand Orator of this Grand Lodge, and ex-Governor of the State of California, feel that it is impossible to clothe in fitting language the sincere and heartfelt grief that touched a chord in all our breasts when it became known that suddenly death had taken from us our distinguished and beloved brother.

We can hardly realize that the lips that but a short time ago spoke to us, within this hall, the words of truth and wisdom, are now closed forever. Our brother has passed away; but his many virtues have left "foot-prints on the sands of time," which will be visible and retain their freshness when we shall have passed from time into eternity. He was the type of the pure and upright Christian gentleman, ripe scholar, honest statesman, and true Mason; and well deserved all, and more than all, the loving and fraternal words in which our Grand Master has recorded his loss. Your committee submit the following resolutions and recommend their adoption:—

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge earnestly tenders its sincerest sympathy and condolence to the family of our deceased brother, in this time of their sorrow and affliction.

Resolved, That, as an evidence of our affection and esteem, a mourning page be devoted to the memory of Bro. HENRY HUNTLEY HAIGHT in our printed proceedings.

All which is respectfully submitted by

HENRY S. ORME,	} Committee.
CHARLES G. CARGILL,	
JOHN C. MARSH,	
WALLACE KAY,	
EDMUND C. ATKINSON,	

Both which reports were concurred in and the resolutions accompanying them were adopted.

Bro. ROLLIN DUNSHEE, from the Committee on By-Laws, presented the following report:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom were referred the by-laws of the following six Lodges under dispensation, viz.: *Fresno, Alturas, Greenville, Adin, Brotherhood, and Bodie*, have examined those by-laws, and find that each of the Lodges named has adopted our uniform code. They have also given attention to the various amendments pro-

posed by sundry Lodges, as set forth in the Report of the Grand Secretary, which were referred to your committee, and find that all those which have been approved by the Grand Master were properly considered, and that such approval should be affirmed by the Grand Lodge.

In the cases of the suggested amendments to the by-laws of *Temple Lodge*, No. 14, proposing sundry amendments which need not here be specified, to those of *Yolo Lodge*, No. 81, proposing a conditional affiliation fee, and to that of *Excelsior Lodge*, No. 166, proposing an increase of the affiliation fee to fifty dollars, your committee are of the opinion that the disapproval of the Grand Master, for the reasons presented, was proper, and they recommend that his action in those cases he concurred in and affirmed by the Grand Lodge.

All which is respectfully submitted by

ROLLIN DUNSHEE,	} Committee.
ALEXANDER CARMICHAEL,	
GIDEON WING,	
WILLIAM T. TURNER,	

Which report was concurred in and the recommendations therein contained were adopted.

Bro. WILLIAM C. BELCHER, from the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following report :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom were again referred sundry decisions of the Grand Master, presented in his Address at the last Annual Communication, which, for lack of time, had not then received consideration, report thereon as follows :—

I. When a brother has been summoned by his Lodge to appear for trial, may he remain away and another brother put in for him a plea of “guilty?”

The Grand Master decided that if he, without sufficient excuse, neglected to obey the summons, his neglect would be an offense for which he might be afterwards tried; that the plea of “guilty” could be put in by the party on trial for himself, but not by another for him; and that, when he neglected to appear and plead, the trial must proceed *ex parte*.

In this decision the committee concur. Masonic trials are strictly criminal proceedings, and the accused must be deemed innocent until he is proven guilty by competent evidence or by his own confession. He may, for himself, plead guilty, but it would be unsafe to permit another to do so for him.

II. When a Mason is in prison, under indictment for murder and awaiting trial in the proper court, ought his Lodge to have charges preferred against him at once, and proceed to his trial?

The Grand Master decided that the Lodge might properly wait till a trial had been had and his guilt or innocence determined in the proper court.

The committee concur in that decision. It does not necessarily follow that a party is guilty because an indictment for even the gravest of offenses has been found against him. Men have from time to time been indicted and tried for murder when the circumstances of the killing were such that we should all consider it entirely justifiable, and the party free from moral as well as legal stain. An indictment should create so strong a presumption of guilt as to demand an investigation at our hands, but, as said by the Grand Master, the courts of law have better facilities for procuring the attendance of witnesses than we have, and we may ordinarily wait till the result of a trial in the courts has been announced.

III. Would the Secretary of a Lodge be justified in refusing to receive the dues of a suspended member of his Lodge from one who might be deemed to have personal interest in making such payment without the knowledge or consent of the suspended member?

The Grand Master answered that the Lodge has a right to expect that every member in arrears will, if he cannot pay, either directly or indirectly make known his condition and ask remission or an extension of time for payment, and that a failure to do so would be culpable. The presumption is, and should be, that such payments are, when made by others than the party himself, made with the knowledge and consent of the party, but that the Secretary would be warranted in refusing to receive such payment when tendered by parties who are induced to make it by their own personal interests, and when the receiving of it might be in conflict with the good of the Lodge.

"As the case was put to the Grand Master, his decision was right. As a rule, however, it should not be left to the discretion of the Secretary to determine whether a brother offering to pay the dues of another was doing it to subserve his own personal interests or not, or whether the good of his Lodge would be best promoted by receiving or refusing the payment. The presumption is, and should be, that the brother making such payment does it from pure motives, and that it will meet the approval of the party for whom it is made. If a brother is in arrears for dues and is about to be, or has been, suspended for non-payment thereof, ordinarily another may properly come to his relief and make the payment for him, without his knowledge; and the circumstances must be peculiar that would make it proper for the Secretary to inquire as to the motive. The consent of the party for whom the payment is made must be presumed, because it is for his good. If, however, having the ability, he, himself, had refused to make the payment, then no other should offer or should be allowed to make it for him. We do not want unwilling members.

A Lodge must exact the payment of dues to enable it to meet its necessary expenditures, and a member is bound to pay his dues as he is to pay every other debt. If he neglects to pay without excuse rendered, the law suspends him and cuts him off from his Masonic privileges so long as his neglect continues. He may relieve himself at any time by making the payment, and no good reason occurs to your committee why he should not be relieved if another makes the payment for him. If a case should occur in which a brother, from improper motives, should pay, or offer to pay, the arrearages of another, he may be dealt with for his actual or attempted wrong. No Lodge ought to have any member whose dues, if in arrears, it would not be willing to receive from any one offering to pay them; and, if any one of its members, suspended for non-payment of dues, is unworthy of restoration, he should be dealt with in the manner prescribed by our laws.

IV. If one Mason buys goods from another and subsequently leaves the State without paying for them, should the Master of the Lodge having jurisdiction entertain charges against the debtor for his failure to pay the debt?

The Grand Master decided that in such a case charges should not be entertained unless the transaction was fraudulent; that Lodges were not instituted for the purpose of collecting debts; and that, up to this time, no procedure had been devised looking to such a purpose.

Your committee most heartily indorse the decision. There is an old law maxim that the buyer must look out for the thing he buys. They think that the seller may be advised to look out to whom he sells and for what he sells. Masonic law punishes men for offences against the moral law, but does not attempt to enforce the payment of debts.

V. Shall our Lodges be permitted, through circulars or otherwise, to solicit pecuniary assistance from the Lodges or Masons of other jurisdictions?

The Grand Master replied in the negative, and his answer has the approval of your committee. Circumstances might be such as to render a call for help not only proper, but necessary. If a pestilence like the yellow fever were to come upon us, as during the present year it came upon the cities and towns of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee, everybody would recognize the propriety of the call for help,

and would cheerfully respond to it; but none of us like professional beggars. Lodges should manage their affairs prudently. If they are poor, let them contrive to live within their means. If they may not be able to expend in charities as much as they would, let them expend only as much as they can; and, above all things, let them keep free from debt. If they must have help, their application should be made to their own Grand Lodge.

VI. When the report of a committee has been received and approved, is it competent for the Lodge to expunge any part of it?

The Grand Master decided that it was not. In the first instance, the Lodge could receive and approve or reject the report. If it contained anything objectionable, it could refer the subject again to the committee, or discharge the committee who had presented the report and appoint another; but that *expunging* records was not in order. That decision also meets the entire approval of the committee.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM C. BELCHER,	} Committee.
N. GREENE CURTIS,	
WILLIAM A. DAVIES,	
LEONIDAS E. PRATT,	
WILLIAM S. WELLS,	

Which report was concurred in.

BRO. WILLIAM C. BELCHER, from the same committee, reported back, without recommendation, the resolution offered by Bro. WILLIAM A. DAVIES, relative to the method of balloting for the elective Grand Officers; and that resolution was then adopted, as follows:—

Resolved, That the regulation providing for the manner of electing Grand Officers by the use of six ballot boxes and the appointment of twelve tellers, adopted at the last Annual Communication, be and is hereby repealed, and that hereafter but one ballot box be used and but one officer be voted for at the same time.

BRO. WILLIAM C. BELCHER, from the same committee, presented the following reports:—

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom were referred three proposals for amendments to the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, report thereon as follows:—

I. Bro. CHARLES G. EWING proposes to amend the 7th clause of Section 2, Article VIII, Part I, of the Constitution, by striking out the word “two” and inserting the word “one” in its stead, in the first line of said clause, so that that clause may read as follows:—

7th. For a diploma of any kind, the sum of one dollar, except when issued for the widow or children of a deceased Mason, in which case there shall be no charge; but no diploma shall issue except upon the presentation to the Grand Secretary of a certificate from the Secretary of a Lodge, in one of the forms prescribed in Art. III, Part VII.

And he also proposes to amend Section 3, Article IV, Part II, of the Constitution, by striking out the whole of the 7th clause thereof, which now reads as follows:—

For a diploma of any kind, (except when issued for the widow or children of a deceased brother,) the sum of three dollars.

The purpose of these amendments is to reduce the price of diplomas to members of Lodges to one dollar. As the law now stands diplomas are issued to the widow or children of a deceased brother without charge, and to members of Lodges for five dollars, of which amount the Grand Lodge receives two dollars and the Grand Secretary three dollars. The cost of the parchment and lithography, aside from the original cost of five hundred dollars for the copperplate from which the transfers are made,

is very nearly one dollar for each diploma; and, to your committee, the present price seems entirely reasonable. It is proper that the Grand Lodge should receive some revenue from its diplomas, and that the Grand Secretary should be paid for his services in preparing and issuing them. It is therefore recommended that neither of the proposed amendments be adopted.

II. Bro. WILLIAM A. DAVIES proposes to amend the 4th clause of Section 1, Article IV, Part II, of the Constitution, by striking out the word "quarterly" in the second line thereof and inserting in its stead the word "immediately," so that that clause may read as follows:—

4th. To collect all moneys due to the Grand Lodge, keep a correct account thereof in proper books, and pay the same immediately to the Grand Treasurer.

To your committee this amendment seems unnecessary and unwise. By Section 2, Article IV, Part II, the Grand Secretary is required to give a bond for the faithful performance of his duties, in such sum and with such sureties as shall be approved by the Grand Master. For several years he has given a bond in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, the same as that of the Grand Treasurer. If that amount should not be deemed sufficient, the Grand Master doubtless would, upon suggestion, increase it. Except during the months of August, September, and October, the monthly receipts are very small; and during those three months, when, at times, twenty or thirty remittances from the Lodges come in a day, it is tolerably near an absurdity to require that the Grand Secretary shall *immediately* pay over each remittance to the Grand Treasurer.

It is proper that the Grand Lodge should look well to the safety of its funds, but when safety is assured, it should not make requirements which would not only cause inconvenience to its officers, but would be absolutely impossible for fulfillment. Your committee recommend that the amendment be not adopted.

III. Bro. FRANK D. MEAD proposes to amend Section 3, Article IV, Part II, of the Constitution, by striking out all of that section after the word "direct" in the second line thereof, so that that section may read as follows:—

Sec. 3. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Grand Lodge may direct.

The object of the amendment is to take away from the Grand Secretary all the fees that are now allowed him for issuing dispensations, charters, diplomas, and official certificates. This seems to your committee to be unwise. Parties who ask for these things should be required to pay for them, as they are for their especial and particular benefit. The present fees are reasonable and the proposition is returned with the recommendation that it be not adopted.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM C. BELCHER, N. GREENE CURTIS, LEONIDAS E. PRATT, WILLIAM S. WELLS,	}	Committee.
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The proposed amendments were taken up for action. The two mentioned in the first report received the five-sixths vote required by the Constitution, were declared adopted, and will go into effect from and after the close of this Communication; and the two named in the second and third reports, having each received but a majority vote, were, in accordance with the law, ordered to go over to the next Annual Communication for final action.

The Grand Secretary presented a communication from *Oak Grove* Lodge, No. 215, relative to certain matters concerning the Masonic Savings and Loan Bank; which was ordered to be laid upon the table.

BRO. THEODORE G. COCKRILL, from the Committee on Charters, presented the following report :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, to whom was referred the petition of *Clinton Lodge, No. 119*, praying that a duplicate of its charter be issued thereto, the original having been destroyed by fire, recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to issue a new charter to *Clinton Lodge, No. 119*, in accordance with the petition thereof.

All which is respectfully submitted by

THEODORE G. COCKRILL,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
JOHN PASHBURG,		
JOHN CALDWELL,		
ADOLPHUS HEWEL,		
ELIJAH T. FARMER,		

Which report was concurred in and the accompanying resolution was adopted.

The Grand Secretary presented the following report relative to assistance furnished by the Grand Lodge and its subordinates to sufferers by yellow fever in the States of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

You have been informed by the Grand Master, in his Address at the opening of this Communication, that the sum of fifteen hundred dollars had been drawn from the treasury of the Grand Lodge for the relief of our afflicted brethren in the South, that contributions from the Lodges for the further and necessary aid required therefor had been invited, and that the Grand Secretary would report as to the manner in which that invitation had received response. In accordance with that announcement, and in the fulfillment of his proper duty, the undersigned presents the following statement, in detail, of all that has been done in that behalf :—

On the thirtieth day of August last, the following telegraphic message was sent by the undersigned to Bro. JAMES C. BATCHELOR, Grand Secretary of Louisiana, at New Orleans :—

Our Grand Lodge, through the Bank of California, has to-day, by telegraph, placed to your credit in the New York office of said Bank, five hundred dollars, gold, for aid of brethren where needed in fever districts.

On the same day the same amount was transmitted, in like manner, to Bro. J. L. POWER, Grand Secretary of Mississippi, at Jackson; and on the tenth day of the following month, intelligence having been received that the fever had extended up the Mississippi to Memphis, another sum of five hundred dollars was transmitted, in the same manner and language, to Bro. JOHN FRIZZELL, Grand Secretary of Tennessee, at Nashville. It appearing then that the spread of the disease had reached such dreadful magnitude as seemed to demand from California much more pecuniary aid than the fifteen hundred dollars which, without authority of any law save that of urgent need, had already been drawn from the treasury of the Grand Lodge, the following circular, by direction of the Grand Master, was at once addressed to the Lodges of the jurisdiction :—

GRAND LODGE F. & A. M. OF CALIFORNIA,
Masonic Temple, San Francisco, 10th September, 1878.

TO THE MASTERS OF LODGES IN THE JURISDICTION OF CALIFORNIA :—

An awful affliction has fallen upon our brethren and the people of the South, and such dreadful distress and destitution as now prevails in the principal cities of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee, has never before been known in our country. The

newspapers will have informed you of the terrible ravages of the yellow fever in those States, and the scourge seems to be still spreading and increasing.

I have directed \$1500 to be drawn from the Grand Treasurer and sent (\$500 each) to the respective Grand Secretaries thereof, but that sum is a comparatively small one to go from California; and I therefore urgently request you to *especially* convene your Lodges, at the earliest possible moment, and lay before their members the great need there is of prompt and speedy action to relieve an amount of suffering which is almost unprecedented.

Do not wait for stated meetings. Whatever irregularity there may be in voting money at a special meeting, called for *this* purpose, will be amply justified by the great necessity; and you may be assured that I will present the matter to the Grand Lodge, at its next Communication, in such a manner, so far as my efforts can go, as shall hold you harmless.

I ask you to send only such sums as your ability will permit, but pray do that at once. Transmit to the Grand Secretary in gold coin or checks, and the Grand Officers will arrange for its distribution in such manner as the exigencies in the fever districts may seem to demand.

JOHN M. BROWNE, *Grand Master*.

Attest: ALEX. G. ABELL, *Grand Secretary*.

The prompt and liberal manner in which this call was responded to by the Lodges will be seen in the statement of subscriptions hereinafter given, showing a total amount of remittances to the undersigned, almost within a fortnight, of over seven thousand three hundred dollars.

On the twelfth day of September the following telegram was sent to the Grand Secretary of Mississippi: "Yours received. We send another five hundred to-day from our Lodges, same manner as before." And on the fourteenth day of the same month, similar dispatches, accompanied by telegraphic drafts for five hundred dollars each, were sent to the Grand Secretaries of Louisiana and Tennessee.

Four days afterwards a statement, purporting to be from the Grand Master of Louisiana, having appeared in the newspapers, to the effect that no further assistance was needed by the brethren there, the undersigned telegraphed to the Grand Secretary, at New Orleans: "Do you want more money? If so, we have plenty. Telegraph immediately." To which came the prompt response—"No, thank you. See paper sent." Thus far one thousand dollars had been transmitted to each of the three States named.

On the same day, September the eighteenth, telegraphic drafts for a thousand dollars each were sent to Bros. FRIZZELL, of Tennessee, and POWER, of Mississippi, with the following message:—

We send you one thousand more, same manner as before. Acknowledge by telegraph and say whether you want more. We have plenty.

The following answers to the foregoing were received from the brethren named on the day succeeding:—

Have drawn as you directed for two thousand dollars altogether. Will notify you if we need more.

JOHN FRIZZELL, *Grand Secretary, Tennessee*.

Thanks for your third splendid contribution. Our California brethren have done enough. Please don't send more. Remittances now coming from other places will be ample. We have supplied all pressing cases and will have something for the widows and orphans when the fever subsides. May you always be able, as you always have been willing, to help the destitute.

J. L. POWER, *Grand Secretary, Mississippi*.

No intimation having been received that further aid was needed, those were the last remittances—the whole amounting to five thousand dollars, being one thousand to Louisiana, two thousand to Mississippi, and two thousand to Tennessee. It is proper to say that other telegraphic acknowledgments, besides those quoted, have been received, as well as acknowledgments by letter couched in such language as generous hearts know how to use whether in doing or accepting kindness. All the correspondence will accompany this report, and it only remains for the undersigned to present the following:—

Statement of account of moneys received by the Grand Secretary, from Lodges and other Masonic Bodies in this jurisdiction, for aid of brethren in the yellow fever districts of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee :

Sep. 10.	Stanislaus,....	No. 206,	\$100 00	Sep. 16.	Curtis,.....	No. 140,	20 00
" 10.	Hiram,.....	" 43,	25 00	" 16.	La Fayette,....	" 126,	20 00
" 10.	Nicolaus,.....	" 129,	100 00	" 16.	Russian River, " 181,	25 00	
" 11.	Ione,.....	" 80,	20 00	" 17.	Rising Star,...	" 83,	50 00
" 11.	Martinez, ...	" 41,	25 00	" 17.	Ophir,.....	" 33,	25 00
" 12.	Calaveras,....	" 78,	50 00	" 17.	Concord,.....	" 117,	25 00
" 12.	Benicia,.....	" 5,	25 00	" 17.	Nebraska,.....	" 71,	25 00
" 12.	Dixon Chapter,	" 48,	50 00	" 17.	Silveyville,.....	" 201,	123 00
" 12.	Dorie,.....	" 216,	50 00	" 17.	Suisun,.....	" 55,	50 00
" 12.	Woodland,....	" 156,	25 00	" 17.	Columbia,.....	" 28,	50 00
" 12.	Sacramento,...	" 40,	50 00	" 17.	Buckeye,.....	" 195,	102 00
" 13.	California,....	" 1,	100 00	" 17.	Visalia,.....	" 128,	100 00
" 13.	Marin,.....	" 191,	100 00	" 17.	Forest,....	" 66,	25 00
" 13.	Clay,.....	" 101,	100 00	" 17.	Mount'n Shade,	" 18,	50 00
" 13.	Vacaville,.....	" 134,	50 00	" 17.	Madison,.....	" 23,	100 00
" 13.	Yount,.....	" 12,	175 00	" 17.	Calistoga,.....	" 233,	50 00
" 13.	Granite,.....	" 222,	50 00	" 17.	San Benito,...	" 211,	25 00
" 13.	Fidelity,.....	" 120,	150 00	" 17.	San Jose,.....	" 10,	100 00
" 14.	Palmyra,.....	" 151,	50 00	" 17.	Illinoistown,...	" 51,	50 00
" 14.	Hayward,.....	" 226,	50 00	" 17.	Quitman,.....	" 83,	30 00
" 14.	Chico,.....	" 111,	50 00	" 17.	Texas,.....	" 46,	85 00
" 14.	Morning Star,...	" 68,	50 00	" 17.	North Butte,...	" 230,	51 00
" 14.	Acacia,.....	" 92,	50 00	" 17.	Grafton,.....	" 141,	31 00
" 14.	La Grange,....	" 99,	20 00	" 17.	Mission,.....	" 169,	100 00
" 14.	El Dorado,....	" 26,	75 00	" 17.	Latrobe,.....	" 189,	25 00
" 14.	Vitruvius,....	" 145,	40 00	" 17.	Alameda,.....	" 167,	76 00
" 14.	So.S.Francisco,	" 212,	25 00	" 18.	Harmony,....	" 164,	50 00
" 14.	Crockett,.....	" 139,	50 00	" 18.	Vesper,.....	" 84,	50 00
" 14.	Yolo,.....	" 81,	25 00	" 18.	Trinity,.....	" 27,	100 00
" 15.	Arcturus,.....	" 180,	60 00	" 18.	North Star,....	" 91,	25 00
" 15.	Natoma,.....	" 64,	100 00	" 18.	Alamo,.....	" 122,	25 00
" 15.	Volcano,.....	" 56,	25 00	" 18.	Temple,.....	" 14,	36 00
" 15.	Valley,.....	" 135,	100 00	" 18.	Western Star,...	" 2,	100 00
" 16.	Corinthian,....	" 9,	100 00	" 18.	Sta.Rosa Chap.,	" 45,	50 00
" 16.	Yuba,.....	" 39,	100 00	" 18.	Drytown,....	" 174,	38 00
" 16.	Wash. Chapter,	" 13,	150 00	" 18.	Molino,.....	" 150,	80 00
" 16.	Marysville Com.	" 7,	50 00	" 18.	St. John's,....	" 37,	80 00
" 16.	Santa Cruz,....	" 38,	81 00	" 18.	Clear Lake,...	" 133,	25 00
" 16.	Oroville,.....	" 103,	25 00	" 19.	Manzanita,....	" 102,	50 00
" 16.	St. Helena,....	" 93,	50 00	" 19.	Santa Clara,...	" 34,	40 00
" 16.	Thos.Brown, of	" 22,	25 00	" 19.	Yosemite,....	" 133,	21 00
" 16.	Sotoyome,.....	" 123,	25 00	" 19.	Gibsonville,...	" 158,	75 00
" 16.	Brooklyn,....	" 225,	25 00	" 19.	San Diego,....	" 35,	50 00
" 16.	Campo Seco,...	" 100,	20 00	" 19.	Anaheim,.....	" 207,	20 00
" 16.	Elk Grove,....	" 173,	20 00	" 19.	Oriental,.....	" 144,	100 00
" 16.	Pleasanton,....	" 218,	50 00	" 19.	Brotherhood,...	U. D.	41 00
" 16.	Salinas,.....	" 204,	50 00	" 19.	Arcata,.....	No. 106,	50 00
" 16.	Gold Hill,.....	" 32,	120 00	" 19.	Newville,.....	" 205,	20 00
" 16.	Mokelumne,....	" 31,	10 00	" 19.	Rose's Bar,....	" 89,	50 00
" 16.	Eucalyptus,....	" 243,	10 00	" 20.	Los Angeles,...	" 42,	50 00
" 16.	Nevada,.....	" 13,	50 00	" 20.	Pentalpha,....	" 202,	25 00

Sep. 20.	Lassen,.....	No. 149,	50 00	Sep. 23.	Mount'n View, No. 194,	20 00
" 20.	Lassen Chapter, "	47,	50 00	" 23.	Hornitos,.....	" 98, 50 00
" 20.	Lassen C'mdry, "	13,	50 00	" 23.	Magnolia,.....	" 242, 15 00
" 20.	Washington,...	" 20,	25 00	" 24.	Michigan City,...	" 47, 50 00
" 20.	Mendocino,....	" 179,	26 50	" 24.	Henry Clay,....	" 95, 25 00
" 20.	Downey,.....	" 220,	50 00	" 24.	Lexington,....	" 104, 25 00
" 20.	Northern Light, "	190,	115 00	" 25.	Amador,.....	" 65, 38 00
" 20.	Golde Gate,...	" 30,	115 00	" 25.	Meridian,.....	" 182, 25 00
" 20.	Mariposa,....	" 24,	50 00	" 25.	Hope,.....	" 234, 20 00
" 21.	Hartley,.....	" 193,	100 00	" 26.	Plumas,.....	" 60, 35 00
" 21.	Enterprise,....	" 70,	50 00	Oct. 1.	Summit,.....	" 112, 25 00
" 21.	Geo. Washing'n, "	62,	20 00	" 1.	Evening Star,...	" 186, 25 00
" 21.	St. Louis,.....	" 86,	30 00	" 3.	St. John, Nev., "	18, 150 00
" 21.	Jefferson,.....	" 97,	40 00	" 4.	Contra Costa,...	" 227, 20 00
" 21.	Guadalupe,....	" 237,	10 00	" 5.	Phoenix,.....	" 178, 59 00
" 23.	Inyo,.....	" 221,	50 00	" 5.	Mount Moriah, "	44, 100 00
" 23.	Keith,.....	" 187,	25 00	" 7.	Bodie,.....	U. D., 40 00
" 23.	Greenville,.....	U. D.,	50 00	" 8.	Woodbridge,....	No. 131, 50 00

Being a total received from the Lodges and other bodies, of...\$7,318 50

Of the above amount, in addition to the five hundred dollars sent to each of the three States named, from the treasury of the Grand Lodge, there have been transmitted the following sums, viz. :—

Sept. 12.	To J. L. POWER, Grand Secretary of Mississippi,.....	\$500 00
" 14.	" JOHN FRIZZELL, Grand Secretary of Tennessee,....	500 00
" 14.	" JAMES C. BATCHELOR, Grand Secretary of Louisiana,	500 00
" 18.	" J. L. POWER, Grand Secretary of Mississippi,.....	1000 00
" 18.	" JOHN FRIZZELL, Grand Secretary of Tennessee,.....	1000 00 \$3,500 00

Leaving a balance in the hands of the undersigned, of.....\$3,818 50

Which sum remains subject to the order of the Grand Lodge, and which the undersigned recommends the return of to the liberal donors in sums proportioned to the amounts of their respective donations.

Besides the moneys transmitted through the hands of the undersigned, as above set forth, information has been received from the proper officers that remittances were sent direct by the following named Lodges :—*Pacific*, No. 136, to Louisiana, \$50; to Mississippi, \$50; and to Tennessee, \$100; in all \$200: *Excelsior*, No. 166, to Mississippi, \$100; and *Aztlan*, No. 177, to Louisiana, \$50; to Mississippi, \$50; and to Tennessee, \$50; in all \$150: and in addition thereto, it should be stated that *Naval*, No. 87, *Solano*, No. 229, and other Lodges, the names of which are not now at hand, contributed before the Grand Master's circular was issued through Wells, Fargo & Co., whose splendid effort in this work of benevolence cannot be too loudly praised.

The Grand Secretary, in closing this report, cannot refrain from the expression of his gratification that the Lodges of our jurisdiction have so well maintained the reputation which it heretofore has borne for its ready sympathy with the distressed, whether by fire or pestilence, and of his pride that he is the honored servant of such a body of Freemasons as compose it; and he would scarcely have well fulfilled his duty did he neglect to acknowledge the obligations which we are under to Bro. THOMAS BROWN, cashier of the Bank of California, who not only placed our funds at once, without charge, in the hands of those for whom they were destined, but added a liberal check to swell the amount—and to Mr. JAMES GAMBLE, superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, by whose direction all our despatches, of which those named in the foregoing were but a tithe, were transmitted free.

All which is respectfully submitted by

ALEX. G. ABELL, *Grand Secretary.*

Which report, with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Finances.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Lodge.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Friday, October 11th, A. L. 5878. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at two o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

The annual election of Grand Officers being the business first in order, the Grand Master named as tellers, Bros. LOUIS COHN, WILLIAM BUCKLEY DAVIS, and WILLIAM WALLACE BOWERS, and the election proceeded with the following result:—

The *M. W.* JOHN MILLS BROWNE, of Vallejo, was re-elected Grand Master ;

The *R. W.* WILLIAM WILSON TRAYLOR, of San Francisco, was elected Deputy Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until seven and a half o'clock this evening.

In Grand Lodge.

EVENING SESSION,
Friday, October 11th, A. L. 5878. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at seven and a half o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

The election of Grand Officers was continued, with the following result:—

The *R. W.* WILLIAM HENRY CRANE, of Susanville, was elected Senior Grand Warden ;

The *R. W.* ROBERT CHIDLEY BRODER, of Visalia, was elected Junior Grand Warden ;

The *V. W.* MOSES HELLER, of San Francisco, was re-elected Grand Treasurer ; and

The V. V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, of San Francisco, was re-elected Grand Secretary.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

In Grand Lodge.

MORNING SESSION,
Saturday, October 12th, A. L. 5878. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at ten o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

After music by the choir and prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the minutes of the sessions of yesterday were read and approved.

BRO. WILLIAM H. HILL offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence :—

Resolved, That the election of Grand Officers shall be the first business of the Grand Lodge on the day fixed therefor by the Constitution ; and that, until the election shall have been concluded, no other business shall be considered.

BRO. JONATHAN D. HINES, from the Committee on Pay of Members, presented the following report :—

To the M. V. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee, charged by the law with the duty of ascertaining “the exact cost of transportation for one person from the location of each Lodge in the State to the place of meeting of the Grand Lodge and back again, and to report such cost of transportation as the sum due to the officers or representatives in attendance from each Lodge ;” and also to ascertain “the necessary expenditures for transportation,” to and from the Grand Lodge, of the appointed officers and chairmen of standing committees—have discharged that duty to the best of their ability, and herewith submit the following statement, showing the names and numbers of all the existing Lodges, the amount of dues paid by each on account of the representative fund, the day of the Communication on which each Lodge was represented, (if represented at all,) and the amount allowed to each representative, appointed Grand Officer, and chairman of a standing committee, as follows :—

Name and Number of Lodge.	No.	Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
<i>California,</i>		1.....\$ 86 25....Paid.....	1st day.....	\$—
<i>Western Star,</i>	“	2..... 15 50....Paid.....	“ “	28 50
<i>Tehama,</i>	“	3..... 27 75....Paid.....	“ “	8 00
<i>Benicia,</i>	“	5..... 12 25....Paid.....	2d day.....	—
<i>Tuolumne,</i>	“	8..... 22 00....Paid.....	1st day.....	19 00
<i>Corinthian,</i>	“	9..... 25 75....Paid.....	“ “	10 00
<i>San Jose,</i>	“	10..... 40 50....Paid.....	4th day.....	4 00
<i>Yount,</i>	“	12..... 21 25....Paid.....	“ “	3 00
<i>Nevada,</i>	“	13..... 28 25....Paid.....	1st day.....	20 00
<i>Temple,</i>	“	14..... 8 50....Paid.....	“ “	3 00

Name and number of Lodge.	No.	Dues to Rep. Fund.		When Represented.		Am't Allowed.
<i>Eureka,</i>	16.....	11	25....Paid.....	1st day.....		13 00
<i>Parfaite Union,</i>	" 17.....	26	50....Paid.....	" ".....		—
<i>Mountain Shade,</i>	" 18.....	11	50....Paid.....	" ".....		37 00
<i>San Joaquin,</i>	" 19.....	16	00....Paid.....	2d day.....		6 00
<i>Washington,</i>	" 20.....	16	50....Paid.....	1st day.....		8 00
<i>Hawaiian,</i>	" 21.....	—	—....None.....	" ".....		—
<i>Occidental,</i>	" 22.....	57	00....Paid.....	" ".....		—
<i>Madison,</i>	" 23.....	34	00....Paid.....	" ".....		20 00
<i>Mariposa,</i>	" 24.....	\$10	50....Paid.....	2d day.....		\$9 00
<i>Georgetown,</i>	" 25.....	12	00....Paid.....	1st day.....		19 00
<i>El Dorado,</i>	" 26.....	15	50....Paid.....	" ".....		19 00
<i>Trinity,</i>	" 27.....	17	50....Paid.....	" ".....		41 50
<i>Columbia,</i>	" 28.....	10	25....Paid.....	" ".....		20 00
<i>Golden Gate,</i>	" 30.....	49	00....Paid.....	" ".....		—
<i>Mokelumne,</i>	" 31.....	7	00....Paid.....	" ".....		17 50
<i>Gold Hill,</i>	" 32.....	8	00....Paid.....	—.....		—
<i>Ophir,</i>	" 33.....	8	00....Paid.....	1st day.....		19 00
<i>Santa Clara,</i>	" 34.....	12	00....Paid.....	2d day.....		4 00
<i>San Diego,</i>	" 35.....	19	00....Paid.....	1st day.....		47 00
<i>Saint John's,</i>	" 37.....	11	50....Paid.....	" ".....		61 00
<i>Santa Cruz,</i>	" 38.....	27	75....Paid.....	" ".....		10 00
<i>Yuba,</i>	" 39.....	20	50....Paid.....	" ".....		11 00
<i>Sacramento,</i>	" 40.....	30	75....Paid.....	" ".....		8 00
<i>Martinez,</i>	" 41.....	12	75....Paid.....	4th day.....		2 00
<i>Los Angeles,</i>	" 42.....	25	25....Paid.....	1st day.....		40 00
<i>Hiram,</i>	" 43.....	11	75....Paid.....	" ".....		18 00
<i>Mount Moriah,</i>	" 44.....	64	00....Paid.....	" ".....		—
<i>Crescent,</i>	" 45.....	9	50....Paid.....	" ".....		40 00
<i>Texas,</i>	" 46.....	8	75....Paid.....	" ".....		9 50
<i>Michigan City,</i>	" 47.....	10	00....Paid.....	" ".....		21 00
<i>Forbestown,</i>	" 50.....	15	00....Paid.....	" ".....		26 00
<i>Illinoistown,</i>	" 51.....	9	25....Paid.....	" ".....		15 50
<i>Suisun,</i>	" 55.....	18	75....Paid.....	" ".....		5 00
<i>Volcano,</i>	" 56.....	8	25....Paid.....	" ".....		24 00
<i>Santa Rosa,</i>	" 57.....	26	50....Paid.....	" ".....		4 00
<i>Union,</i>	" 58.....	35	00....Paid.....	" ".....		8 00
<i>Gravel Range,</i>	" 59.....	13	75....Paid.....	" ".....		28 00
<i>Plumas,</i>	" 60.....	13	00....Paid.....	" ".....		35 00
<i>Live Oak,</i>	" 61.....	28	25....Paid.....	" ".....		—
<i>George Washington,</i>	" 62.....	5	75....Paid.....	" ".....		21 00
<i>Natoma,</i>	" 64.....	12	50....Paid.....	2d day.....		14 00
<i>Amador,</i>	" 65.....	11	25....Paid.....	1st day.....		17 00
<i>Forest,</i>	" 66.....	13	00....Paid.....	—.....		—
<i>Morning Star,</i>	" 68.....	33	50....Paid.....	1st day.....		6 00
<i>Enterprise,</i>	" 70.....	14	25....Paid.....	" ".....		11 00
<i>Nebraska,</i>	" 71.....	6	00....Paid.....	" ".....		15 50
<i>Bear Mountain,</i>	" 76.....	6	00....Paid.....	" ".....		17 00
<i>Petaluma,</i>	" 77.....	22	00....Paid.....	" ".....		2 00
<i>Calaveras,</i>	" 78.....	8	50....Paid.....	" ".....		16 00
<i>Humboldt,</i>	" 79.....	20	00....Paid.....	" ".....		25 00
<i>Ione,</i>	" 80.....	13	25....Paid.....	" ".....		14 00
<i>Yolo,</i>	" 81.....	9	75....Paid.....	" ".....		9 25
<i>Rising Star,</i>	" 83.....	10	50....Paid.....	" ".....		20 00
<i>Vesper,</i>	" 84.....	18	50....Paid.....	" ".....		21 50

Name and Number of Lodge.		Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
<i>Saint Mark's,</i>	No. 85.....	7 50....	Paid.....1st day.....	25 00
<i>Saint Louis,</i>	" 86.....	12 50....	Paid....." ".....	34 00
<i>Naval,</i>	" 87.....	25 25....	Paid....." ".....	2 00
<i>Quitman,</i>	" 88.....	9 25....	Paid....." ".....	26 00
<i>Rose's Bar,</i>	" 89.....	8 75....	Paid....." ".....	15 00
<i>North Star,</i>	" 91.....	9 50....	Paid....." ".....	60 50
<i>Acacia,</i>	" 92.....	8 75....	Paid....." ".....	18 00
<i>Saint Helena,</i>	" 93.....	12 00....	Paid....." ".....	6 00
<i>Henry Clay,</i>	No. 95.....	\$13 25....	Paid....." ".....	\$16 50
<i>Howard,</i>	" 96.....	10 25....	Paid....." ".....	62 00
<i>Jefferson,</i>	" 97.....	5 75....	Paid....." ".....	31 00
<i>Hornitos,</i>	" 98.....	7 00....	Paid....." ".....	22 00
<i>La Grange,</i>	" 99.....	11 00....	Paid....." ".....	10 75
<i>Campo Seco,</i>	" 100.....	6 25....	Paid....." ".....	13 50
<i>Clay,</i>	" 101.....	13 75....	Paid....." ".....	20 00
<i>Manzanita,</i>	" 102.....	16 75....	Paid.....2d day.....	23 00
<i>Oroville,</i>	" 103.....	17 00....	Paid.....1st day.....	15 00
<i>Lexington,</i>	" 104.....	10 75....	Paid....." ".....	47 50
<i>Arcata,</i>	" 106.....	9 00....	Paid....." ".....	26 50
<i>Owen,</i>	" 108.....	5 50....	Paid....." ".....	62 00
<i>Dibble,</i>	" 109.....	5 25....	Paid....." ".....	23 50
<i>Pajaro,</i>	" 110.....	27 75....	Paid....." ".....	9 00
<i>Chico,</i>	" 111.....	26 00....	Paid....." ".....	17 00
<i>Summit,</i>	" 112.....	11 50....	Paid....." ".....	15 00
<i>Eden,</i>	" 113.....	10 25....	Paid....." ".....	1 50
<i>Mount Zion,</i>	" 114.....	3 50....	Paid....." ".....	29 00
<i>Concord,</i>	" 117.....	14 50....	Paid....." ".....	8 00
<i>Clinton,</i>	" 119.....	5 50....	Paid....." ".....	32 00
<i>Fidelity,</i>	" 120.....	42 50....	Paid....." ".....	—
<i>Ionic,</i>	" 121.....	9 00....	Paid....." ".....	20 50
<i>Alamo,</i>	" 122.....	8 25....	Paid.....2d day.....	3 50
<i>Sotoyome,</i>	" 123.....	17 75....	Paid.....1st day.....	6 00
<i>Table Mountain,</i>	" 124.....	14 25....	Paid....." ".....	17 00
<i>La Fayette,</i>	" 126.....	12 50....	Paid....." ".....	5 50
<i>Hermann,</i>	" 127.....	27 50....	Paid....." ".....	—
<i>Visalia,</i>	" 128.....	23 00....	Paid....." ".....	29 00
<i>Nicolaus,</i>	" 129.....	12 25....	Paid....." ".....	—
<i>Woodbridge,</i>	" 131.....	16 50....	Paid.....1st day.....	8 00
<i>Sincerity,</i>	" 132.....	6 25....	Paid....." ".....	—
<i>Yosemite,</i>	" 133.....	5 75....	Paid.....1st day.....	24 00
<i>Vacaville,</i>	" 134.....	11 25....	Paid....." ".....	6 50
<i>Valley,</i>	" 135.....	10 00....	Paid....." ".....	8 00
<i>Pacific,</i>	" 136.....	73 50....	Paid....." ".....	—
<i>Violet,</i>	" 138.....	4 25....	Paid....." ".....	26 00
<i>Crockett,</i>	" 139.....	22 25....	Paid....." ".....	—
<i>Curtis,</i>	" 140.....	9 50....	Paid....." ".....	8 50
<i>Grafton,</i>	" 141.....	7 75....	Paid....." ".....	9 50
<i>Colusa,</i>	" 142.....	14 00....	Paid....." ".....	14 50
<i>Franklin,</i>	" 143.....	6 50....	Paid....." ".....	3 00
<i>Oriental,</i>	" 144.....	48 75....	Paid....." ".....	—
<i>Vitruvius,</i>	" 145.....	10 25....	Paid....." ".....	—
<i>Abell,</i>	" 146.....	16 75....	Paid....." ".....	15 00
<i>Eel River,</i>	" 147.....	11 00....	Paid....." ".....	—

Name and number of Lodge.		Dues to Rep. Fund.		When Represented.		Am't Allowed.
Lassen,	No. 149.....	18	25....Paid.....	1st day.....		61 00
Molino,	" 150.....	10	00....Paid.....	" ".....		20 00
Palmyra,	" 151.....	18	00....Paid.....	" ".....		19 00
Woodland,	" 156.....	20	75....Paid.....	" ".....		8 50
Gibsonville,	" 158.....	11	75....Paid.....	" ".....		35 00
Pilot Hill,	" 160.....	5	00....Paid.....	" ".....		17 00
Keystone,	" 161.....	5	00....Paid.....	" ".....		15 00
Harmony,	" 164.....	6	25....Paid.....	" ".....		39 00
Excelsior,	" 166.....	\$36	25....Paid.....	1st day.....		—
Alameda,	" 167.....	14	25....Paid.....	" ".....		2 50
San Mateo,	" 168.....	13	25....Paid.....	" ".....		2 25
Mission,	" 169.....	43	75....Paid.....	" ".....		—
Elk Grove,	" 173.....	7	50....Paid.....	—		—
Drytown,	" 174.....	6	00....Paid.....	1st day.....		18 00
Antioch,	" 175.....	11	75....Paid.....	" ".....		3 00
Merced,	" 176.....	6	25....Paid.....	—		—
Azlan,	" 177.....	—	—	None.....1st day.....		—
Phoenix,	" 178.....	18	25....Paid.....	" ".....		57 00
Mendocino,	" 179.....	15	25....Paid.....	" ".....		22 50
Arcturus,	" 180.....	17	75....Paid.....	" ".....		3 00
Russian River,	" 181.....	11	25....Paid.....	" ".....		5 50
Meridian,	" 182.....	7	00....Paid.....	" ".....		12 00
Clear Lake,	" 183.....	8	50....Paid.....	2d day.....		13 00
Sierra Valley,	" 184.....	9	75....Paid.....	1st day.....		36 00
Claiborne,	" 185.....	7	25....Paid.....	" ".....		18 50
Evening Star,	" 186.....	11	50....Paid.....	" ".....		57 50
Keith,	" 187.....	15	25....Paid.....	" ".....		7 00
Oakland,	" 188.....	45	75....Paid.....	" ".....		—
Latrobe,	" 189.....	5	75....Paid.....	" ".....		15 00
Northern Light,	" 190.....	12	00....Paid.....	" ".....		30 50
Marin,	" 191.....	12	00....Paid.....	" ".....		1 00
Santa Barbara,	" 192.....	12	50....Paid.....	" ".....		32 00
Ferndale,	" 193.....	12	75....Paid.....	" ".....		29 00
Mountain View,	" 194.....	5	25....Paid.....	2d day.....		3 50
Buckeye,	" 195.....	14	50....Paid.....	" ".....		7 50
San Simeon,	" 196.....	7	25....Paid.....	1st day.....		29 00
Wilmington,	" 198.....	7	75....Paid.....	" ".....		52 00
Hartley,	" 199.....	14	25....Paid.....	" ".....		16 00
Truckee,	" 200.....	16	50....Paid.....	" ".....		28 00
Silveyville,	" 201.....	16	75....Paid.....	" ".....		6 50
Pentalpha,	" 202.....	26	00....Paid.....	" ".....		40 00
Confidence,	" 203.....	3	75....Paid.....	" ".....		11 00
Salinas,	" 204.....	16	00....Paid.....	" ".....		12 00
Newville,	" 205.....	8	00....Paid.....	—		—
Stanislaus,	" 206.....	16	50....Paid.....	1st day.....		9 75
Anaheim,	" 207.....	9	50....Paid.....	" ".....		44 00
Rio Vista,	" 208.....	9	75....Paid.....	" ".....		3 00
King David's,	" 209.....	13	75....Paid.....	" ".....		22 00
Friendship,	" 210.....	17	00....Paid.....	" ".....		—
San Benito,	" 211.....	17	25....Paid.....	4th day.....		8 50
South San Francisco,	" 212.....	11	25....Paid.....	1st day.....		—
Bodega,	" 213.....	3	50....Paid.....	" ".....		6 00
San Buenaventura,	" 214.....	18	00....Paid.....	" ".....		24 00

Name and Number of Lodge.		Dues to Rep. Fund.	When Represented.	Am't Allowed.
<i>Oak Grove,</i>	No. 215.....	8 50....Paid.....	1st day.....	—
<i>Doric,</i>	" 216.....	23 50 ...Paid.....	" "	—
<i>Monterey,</i>	" 217.....	7 00....l'aid.....	—	—
<i>Pleasanton,</i>	" 218.....	9 50....Paid.....	2d day.....	4 50
<i>Speranza Italiana,</i>	" 219.....	15 25....Paid.....	1st day.....	—
<i>Downey,</i>	" 220.....	14 75....Paid.....	" "	48 50
<i>Inyo,</i>	" 221.....	9 00....Paid.....	" "	96 00
<i>Granite,</i>	" 222.....	9 25....Paid.....	" "	10 00
<i>Bakersfield,</i>	No. 224.....	\$9 00....Paid	1st day.....	\$35 00
<i>Brooklyn,</i>	" 225.....	8 75....Paid.....	" "	—
<i>Hayward,</i>	" 226.....	5 50....Paid.....	" "	4 00
<i>Contra Costa,</i>	" 227.....	7 75....Paid.....	2d day.....	4 00
<i>Athens,</i>	" 228.....	8 25....Paid.....	" "	7 50
<i>Solano,</i>	" 229.	17 25....Paid.....	1st day.....	2 00
<i>North Butte,</i>	" 230.....	9 25....Paid.....	" "	13 50
<i>Cocelo,</i>	" 231.....	8 00....Paid.....	—	—
<i>Janesville,</i>	" 232.....	7 75....Paid.....	1st day.....	54 50
<i>Calistoga,</i>	" 233.....	8 25....Paid.....	" "	7 00
<i>Hope,</i>	" 234.....	7 50....Paid.....	" "	41 50
<i>Surprise Valley,</i>	" 235.....	8 00....Paid.....	" "	87 50
<i>Hill's Ferry,</i>	" 236	8 25....Paid.....	" "	19 00
<i>Guadalupe,</i>	" 237.....	13 25....Paid.....	" "	34 00
<i>Tyre,</i>	" 238.....	6 50....Paid.....	" "	17 50
<i>Pescadero,</i>	" 239	4 25....Paid.....	" "	7 75
<i>Equality,</i>	" 240.....	13 75....Paid.....	" "	14 50
<i>Santa Ana,</i>	" 241.....	10 00....Paid.....	—	—
<i>Magnolia,</i>	" 242	10 00....Paid.....	1st day.....	32 00
<i>Eucalyptus,</i>	" 243	4 25....Paid.....	" "	1 50
<i>Alcatraz,</i>	" 244.....	12 50....Paid.....	" "	—
<i>Laurel,</i>	" 245.....	8 50....Paid.....	" "	17 50
<i>Pomona,</i>	" 246.....	5 25....Paid.....	" "	49 50
<i>Fresno,</i>	U. D.....	6 50....Paid	" "	16 25
<i>Alturas,</i>	" ".....	3 75....Paid.....	" "	53 50
<i>Greenville,</i>	" ".....	6 00....Paid.....	" "	41 00
<i>Adin,</i>	" ".....	3 50....Paid.....	" "	50 50
<i>Brotherhood,</i>	" ".....	2 75....Paid.....	" "	7 50
<i>Bodie,</i>	" ".....	3 25....Paid.....	" "	52 00

Total dues to Rep. Fund.,...\$3,033 00 Allowed to representatives,...\$3,563 50

From the foregoing statement it will be seen that at the present Communication one hundred and ninety chartered Lodges, being all save eleven, have been represented, together with the six Lodges acting under dispensation. It will also be seen therefrom that to thirty-six Lodges no allowance has been made. Of these, twenty—being Nos. 1, 17, 22, 30, 44, 61, 120, 127, 136, 139, 144, 166, 169, 188, 212, 215, 216, 219, 225, and 244—although represented and their dues fully paid, are located in this city or its immediate vicinity; eleven—being Nos. 32, 66, 129, 132, 147, 173, 176, 205, 217, 231, and 241—have paid their dues but have not been represented at all; one—being No. 5—had paid its dues but was not represented on the first day, as our law requires, and was not excused; two—being Nos. 21 and 177—are located without the State and are not chargeable with dues to this fund or entitled to receive anything therefrom; and two—being Nos. 145 and 210—were represented by members residing in this city. It will be observed, also, that allowances have been made to sixteen Lodges which were not represented on the first day of the Communication, viz.: Nos. 10, 12,

19, 24, 34, 41, 64, 102, 122, 163, 194, 195, 211, 218, 227, and 228, the representatives thereof having been excused by the Grand Lodge for the lateness of their attendance.

The amounts allowed to the appointed Grand Officers and chairmen of the standing committees, entitled to payment from the representative fund, are as follows, viz.: to the

Grand Standard Bearer,.....	\$ 8 00	Chairman Com. on Jurisprudence, ..	\$11 00
Senior Grand Steward,.....	44 00	Chairman Com. on Correspondence, ..	40 00
Grand Pursuivant,.....	62 00		

Being a total of\$165 00

To which add the amount allowed to representatives, as above, ... 3,563 50

And there is a total allowance of.....\$3,728 50

The dues for the year ending 31st July, 1878, on account of the representative fund, as shown upon the pay roll, amount to the sum of.....\$3,033 00

Leaving a deficit for the year of.....\$695 50

Which deficiency, like that of the last year, your committee recommend to be drawn from the general fund and placed to the credit of the representative fund.

Notwithstanding this deficit in the representative fund, your committee are of opinion that no increase of the levy of this last year will be necessary to meet the allowances likely to be required for payment of representatives for the year to come. The general fund is ample to supply any deficiency that may then be found to exist in the representative fund, without embarrassing the general business of the Grand Lodge. The heavy demands upon our membership to aid the sufferers by yellow fever in the southern States, and, at the same time, to relieve the sick, needy, and destitute in our own midst, imperatively demand that our assessments be made as light as possible for the coming year; and your committee therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That there be levied upon the Lodges of this jurisdiction, for the current fiscal year, in addition to the dues prescribed by the Constitution, the sum of twenty-five cents for each member borne upon their respective rolls at the date of their next annual reports, for account of the representative fund; which assessment shall be paid at the same time and in the same manner as is prescribed for the payment of the regular annual dues.

All which is respectfully submitted by

JONATHAN D. HINES,	} Committee.
ALEXANDER G. OLIVER,	
JOHN Q. ADAMS,	
SAMUEL H. GERRISH,	
FRANK D. MEAD,	

Which report was concurred in and the resolution accompanying it was adopted.

Bro. WILLIAM H. HILL proposed the following amendment to the Constitution:—

Strike out, in the third line of Section 1, Article VII, Part I, the words “on Finances,” and insert in the third line of Section 2, of the same Article and Part, after the word “Jurisprudence,” the words “on Finances.”

The intention of the proposed amendment is to make the Committee on Finances one of the standing committees, and the proposition was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Bro. WILLIAM C. BELCHER, from the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following reports:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

BRO. PETER K. AUSTIN offers the following as a general regulation of the Grand Lodge:—

Resolved, That the Secretaries and Treasurers of the several Lodges in this jurisdiction be required, in their annual reports, to report the financial condition of their respective Lodges.

Your committee are unable to see that any good would be accomplished by such reports. It might be pleasant for us to know exactly how our neighbors stand financially. It might furnish curious but not necessarily useful information. As individuals we do not, as a rule, like to have our neighbors too inquisitive about our private affairs, and it is probable that Lodges would not willingly publish annually an exact statement of their finances simply to gratify the curiosity of the members of the Grand Lodge. It may be well to add that Treasurers of Lodges do not make any annual or other reports to the Grand Lodge, before recommending, as your committee do, that the resolution be not adopted.

During the year the Grand Master issued several special dispensations for purposes as provided in the Constitution. He also authorized *Clinton Lodge*, No. 119, to remove a short distance from its former place of meeting, and he gave authority to *Santa Clara Lodge*, No. 34, to appear in public procession for the celebration of its twenty-fifth anniversary. These special dispensations and authorizations are matters which are and should be left to the discretion of the Grand Master. The papers before the committee show that all the requirements of the law were strictly complied with, and that the Grand Master used his discretion wisely. It is therefore recommended that his action be approved.

Concerning the memorial of BRO. ELIJAH MORTON, your committee report that in the year 1868 Bro. MORTON was elected to receive the three degrees in *Progress Lodge*, No. 125. He paid to that Lodge the full fees for those degrees and was initiated. Shortly after his initiation he left the State, and, during his absence, the charter of that Lodge was revoked by the Grand Lodge. In 1871 the Grand Master granted a dispensation to certain former members of that extinct Lodge to form *Doric Lodge*, which received its charter at the Annual Communication in that year, and is now known as No. 216. The next year—1872—the Grand Lodge donated to this new Lodge all the funds and property received by it from *Progress Lodge* at the time of the revocation of its charter.

BRO. MORTON now asks that the Grand Lodge confer, or cause to be conferred, on him the remaining degrees, or, in case it cannot so do, that it pay him the amount charged and received by *Progress Lodge* for them, that he may make application to some other Lodge.

His claim is just, but it should be presented to *Doric Lodge*, No. 216, instead of to the Grand Lodge. If he presents his petition for the remaining degrees to that Lodge, it should confer them upon him, if elected, without charge; and, in case his petition should be rejected, it should refund to him the amount received by *Progress Lodge* for those degrees, that he may in due time make application elsewhere.

Your committee recommend that it be so ordered by the Grand Lodge.

Relative to decisions made by the Grand Master during the year and reported by him at this Communication:—

I. Can a trial-commissioner act as counsel for the accused or accuser in a Masonic trial?

The Grand Master decided that he could not, and, in the particular case from *Los Angeles Lodge*, No. 42, directed that new commissioners be elected and another trial had.

Your committee fully concur with the Grand Master that no person should be allowed to act as counsel for the accused or the accuser and as a commissioner in the same case. Those who sit in judgment should be free from bias and prejudice. Counsel *might* be so, but as a rule they would not be. In the civil courts one who has been attorney or counsel in the particular case, or in the matter directly involved in litigation, cannot, as judge, participate in its decision in any stage of its progress through the courts. The law presumes a bias, and our law should entertain the same presumption. In the civil courts the rule is that if judgments show upon their face such defects as render them absolutely void, they may be disregarded entirely; but if evidence is necessary, which the record does not supply, to show that the judgment ought not to stand, as, if it had been rendered by a judge who was incompetent to try the case for some reason, or upon evidence that ought not to have been heard, or upon a misinterpretation or construction of the law, they can be set aside only by appeal or such special proceedings as have been provided for reviewing judgments. We should follow a like rule, and when a judgment has been rendered by a commission duly elected and appears upon its face to be regular and valid, it should be treated as a valid judgment until the appellate tribunal has declared its invalidity. The only method of review which our law has provided is by appeal to the Grand Lodge. Either party may have an appeal, and the Grand Lodge can render such final judgment as the facts of the case require.

II. If a non-affiliated Mason makes application to some Lodge for membership, tendering the affiliation fee and a sum equivalent to six months' dues, and is rejected, must he, on making a second application within six months, again tender the six months' dues?

The Grand Master decided that he need not do so, although he thought the writer of Section 1, Article II, Part V, of the Constitution, did not so intend.*

Your committee think the rule of construction adopted by the Grand Master, and his interpretation of the provisions of the Constitution in reference to non-affiliated Masons, to be correct. It is the language of the Grand Lodge and not of the writer by whom it was drafted, and we must presume that the Grand Lodge intended to express just what the language used expresses. Section 8, Article V, Part VI, taken in connection with Section 1, Article II, Part V, do not leave room for doubt as to the intent. If the applicant has been more than six months non-affiliated, he must tender six months' dues, with the fee, but his application places him in good standing, and, if rejected, he ought not to be required to make that tender a second time.

III. In *Olear Lake* Lodge, No. 183, charges were preferred against an Entered Apprentice and a Lodge of Entered Apprentices was opened for the election of commissioners to try him. The Grand Master, upon the complaint of the new Master of the Lodge, set aside the election and ordered him to convene his Lodge for a proper election of commissioners. Section 2, Article II, Part III, of our Constitution, declares that "all business, except the examination of candidates and conferring of the subordinate degrees, shall be done in a Lodge of Master Masons." In this case the record showed that the election was void. However it may have been in the earlier days of Masonry, there is no doubt that, under our law, the commissioners to try an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft must be Master Masons, and can be elected only by a Lodge of Master Masons.

IV. The Grand Master decided that if, upon a ballot, one black ball only appeared, it was not competent for the Master to declare the candidate rejected without first ordering a second ballot, for the correction of a possible mistake; and in a case where, by inadvertence, the Master made the declaration without ordering the re-ballot, directed that notice be given to all who were present at that meeting, and that a second ballot be had at another stated meeting. The directions of the Consti-

*The "writer" of the Constitution cannot understand why the Grand Master should so have thought.
A. G. A., Gr. Sec.

tution are so explicit in regard to the ballot as to leave no doubt of the correctness of the decision.

V. When charges have been preferred by one Mason against another, is it competent for the accused to adjust the differences and then withdraw the charges?

In the particular case brought to the attention of the Grand Master, his decision may have been right, but would it be a safe rule to adopt to allow the accuser to settle and dismiss the case? Your committee think not. Whenever charges have been preferred, which ought to be entertained at all, the Lodge and the whole body of Masons are interested in the result; and it ought never to be permitted that any Mason should make use of the procedure of the Lodge for the adjustment of his private business affairs. That procedure is criminal and is intended to punish offenses. When offenses have been committed we are all interested to see that the offender is punished, and it should never be left to the accuser to determine whether or not the trial should proceed. The Master of the Lodge should, in the exercise of a proper discretion, determine whether the offense charged is of such a character as to demand investigation, and in that he will look to the interest of the Craft and not to the private interests of the accuser.

VI. The action of the Grand Master with respect to the incorporation of *Lexington* Lodge, No. 104, meets with the approval of the committee. So long as the question of authorizing such incorporations is before the Grand Lodge for consideration and determination, no Lodge should attempt to forestall its action.

VII. Your committee fully concur in the following decisions of the Grand Master:—

1st. That, when charges have been preferred and commissioners have been elected, a trial must be had, and that the fact that a grand jury had ignored a bill against the party for the offense charged, could not relieve the commissioners from proceeding with the trial:

2d. That a Lodge may dispose of real estate or other property as any other owner might:

3d. That a non-affiliate may apply to any Lodge in this jurisdiction for membership:

4th. That the members of a Lodge are not entitled to know or to inquire the name of the brother who interposes an objection to the initiation of a candidate any more than they would the name or motives of the party casting a black ball:

5th. That, in elections, blanks found in the ballot-box ought not to be counted as votes cast:

6th. That persons who have lost one or more fingers of the right hand, and all persons who have not their right limbs as men ought to have, cannot lawfully be made Masons in California.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM C. BELCHER,	} Committee.
N. GREENE CURTIS,	
LEONIDAS E. PRATT,	
WILLIAM S. WELLS,	

All which reports were concurred in and their recommendations were adopted.

Bro. WM. T. REYNOLDS, from the Committee on Grievances, presented the following reports:—

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of California:—

A paper has been placed in the hands of your committee purporting to be an appeal on the part of MICHAEL HENDERSON from the action of *King David's* Lodge, No. 209, in suspending him from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. No communication

has been received from the Lodge showing that any such case has been tried. If the petitioner *has* been tried and suspended by *King David's* Lodge, your committee can only say that the Lodge has been most derelict in its duty in not forwarding a transcript of the trial-record. The representative of the Lodge has been excused by the Grand Lodge from further attendance, on the ground of sickness, and has left the city. Consequently, your committee are unable to learn the facts of the case. They therefore report the following resolution and recommend its adoption:—

Resolved, That, if any trial has been had in *King David's* Lodge, No. 209, resulting in the suspension of MICHAEL HENDERSON, the said Lodge be and is hereby ordered to forward immediately to the Grand Secretary a transcript of the trial-record required by our regulations.

Your committee have had under consideration the petition of GEORGE W. PAGET for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry, who was suspended by *Tehama* Lodge, No. 3, in 1871, being at that time a non-affiliated Mason, and report that the petitioner was justly punished in the first place, but that he has, for the past seven years, lived a correct and honest life, and for the past five years has been the trusted and confidential employee of a well known and highly esteemed Mason in this city, who vouches for him in the strongest manner. Your committee believe that Masonic punishment should be meted out principally for the purpose of inducing reformation; and, as this petitioner has, for so long a period, shown in his daily life that he is now again worthy of our confidence, they are of the opinion that his prayer may be safely granted, and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That GEORGE W. PAGET be and is hereby restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

Your committee have had before them a communication from Bro. JOHN S. WOOLSEY, formerly a member of *Keith* Lodge, No. 187, stating that, being dissatisfied with the action of the Lodge in the case of another brother thereof, against whom charges had been preferred, he, in a casual conversation upon the street with the then Master of his Lodge, made the remark thoughtlessly that “if such was the way in which so serious a charge could be disposed of, his name might be scratched from the books;” and that, at the next stated meeting of the Lodge, he not being present, the then Master asked for the complainant's dimit, which was granted in good faith by the Lodge, although he never had had any intention of asking therefor. This statement is confirmed by the present Master. Now our Constitution provides that any brother desiring so to do, “may withdraw therefrom [from his Lodge] at any time, by giving notice of his intention so to do at a stated meeting.” It seems evident that the brother not only does not desire to withdraw, but that he never gave any legal notice to his Lodge that he had any intention of doing so, and consequently that the action of his Lodge in granting the dimit was utterly void and of no effect. Your committee therefore ask the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That Bro. JOHN S. WOOLSEY be and is hereby declared to be a member in good standing of *Keith* Lodge, No. 187.

Your committee have had before them the appeal of Bro. MALCOLM MOUNT from the action of *Keith* Lodge, No. 187, in acquitting Bro. COOPER COMINS from certain charges which had been brought against him, and also the somewhat extraordinary letter of Bro. HENRY C. WARNER, the Secretary of the Lodge, in reply to a letter from the Grand Secretary asking him to forward a transcript of the trial-record in the case. In that letter he says, “in regard to that appeal, Bro. MOUNT is mistaken, as he made a motion to that effect in the Lodge, (supposedly a motion that the Lodge itself should appeal,) which was unanimously lost, and then he gave the Master notice,

(presumably, again, that he gave notice that he individually appealed,) which was all there was about the matter."

Now it is very evident that Bro. MOUNT was seriously in earnest, as he has forwarded a full and elaborate argument to support his views, while the Lodge, probably from having overlooked the provisions of our law which allow *any* brother to appeal to the Grand Lodge from the decision of a commission, has supposed that, so long as the Lodge as a body had refused to appeal, the action of Bro. MOUNT individually was not to be considered. This is a mistake, and the Lodge or its officers erred greatly in not having forwarded at once a transcript of the trial-record in order that the Grand Lodge could have acted upon the subject understandingly. By such means, in similar cases, a worthy brother might labor under unjust Masonic censure for a full year until the next Communication of the Grand Lodge, or, on the other hand, an unworthy Mason might be retained in the fraternity for an equal length of time. The Lodge was decidedly in the wrong in not having forwarded *at once*, when it was asked for by the Grand Secretary, the transcript called for, and your committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That *Keith* Lodge, No. 187, be ordered to forward to the Grand Secretary, at the earliest possible moment, a full and complete transcript of the record of the trial of Bro. COOPER COMINS, who was acquitted by the said Lodge on or about the eleventh day of May of the present year.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, LEWIS F. JONES, JOHN C. PARTRIDGE, HENRY H. KNAPP,	} Committee.
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All which reports were concurred in and the resolutions accompanying them were adopted.

Bro. WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, from a majority of the same committee, presented the following report:—

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of California:—

In the matter of the petition for restoration of CHARLES HOWARD GORDON, who was expelled by *Woodbridge* Lodge, No. 131, on the sixteenth day of January, 1875, your committee have again carefully examined into the merits of the case, and feel that they can add nothing to the very full and exhaustive report presented at the last Communication of this Grand Lodge.

Though still holding to the opinions expressed by your previous committee, in regard to the injustice of his expulsion, yet, after having taken the advice of many prominent Masons residing in that section of the State, and in view of the continuous and bitter opposition to his restoration evinced by all the members of his former Lodge, a majority of your committee feel compelled to report that it will be for the best interests of Masonry that the prayer of your petitioner should not be granted. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the petition of CHARLES HOWARD GORDON, for restoration to all the rights and privileges of Masonry, be and is hereby denied.

All which is respectfully submitted by

WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, HENRY H. KNAPP,	} Of the Committee.
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Bro. JOHN C. PARTRIDGE, from a minority of the same committee, presented a report upon the same subject, which, after some discussion, was not concurred in. The majority report was then concurred in and the resolution accompanying it was adopted.

On motion of Bro. WILEY J. TINNIN, it was ordered that the

minority report, above mentioned, be not printed with the proceedings.

On motion of Bro. WILLIAM H. HILL, it was ordered that the installation of the Grand Officers be made the special order for two and a half o'clock this afternoon.

On motion of the Grand Lecturer, it was ordered that the present Inspectors shall continue in office until the first day of February, 1879, unless sooner relieved by resignation or other sufficient cause; and that the appointments of such officers hereafter shall be for one year from that date.

Bro. NELSON R. SHAW proposed the following amendments to the Constitution:—

Strike out, in the second line of Section 8, Article III, Part III, the word "fifty," and insert, instead thereof, the word "thirty."

Strike out, in the same section, all after the word "dollars," in the third line thereof, to the word "else," in the fourth line thereof.

Which proposed amendments were ordered to be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until two o'clock this afternoon.

In Grand Lodge.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
Saturday, October 12th, A. L. 5878. }

The Grand Lodge was called on at two o'clock, the Grand Master presiding.

On motion of the Grand Secretary, it was ordered that the Constitution, as amended, be printed with the proceedings of this Communication, and that three thousand additional copies be printed and bound for sale to the Lodges and Masons of the jurisdiction.

Bro. SILAS M. BUCK, from the special committee on the Report of the Grand Lecturer, presented the following report:—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

Your committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Grand Lecturer, have duly considered the same and heartily commend the zeal and fidelity with which that officer has performed his onerous and important duties. His report is so succinct and clear that very little remains for your committee to do. They fully endorse the recommendations made; and, in order to give them effect, they recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That, immediately after installation, Masters of Lodges, in addition to

the regularly appointed officers, should select and appoint from among the qualified members of the Lodge, suitable brethren to act in conferring the second section of the third degree, whose duty it will be to be present, prepared to work, whenever that degree is conferred.

Resolved, That the necessity for visiting Lodges within their respective districts should be left to the sound judgment of the Inspectors ; but that a Lodge should only be required to pay the expense of an Inspector's visit when made at its request.

Resolved, That the Grand Lecturer be requested to prepare an installation service, wherein shall be embodied his recommendation that a proper certificate of qualification of the Master-elect be presented to the installing officer at each installation.

Resolved, That the Grand Lecturer be requested to compile a monitorial work to be used in this jurisdiction, which work, when approved by the Grand Lodge, shall be substituted for that now in use ; and that no change in such monitorial work shall be tolerated or permitted except by authority of the Grand Lodge.

All which is respectfully submitted by

SILAS M. BUCK,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
ISAAC S. HALSEY,		
JOSEPH B. COOKE,		
GEORGE F. WOODERSON,		

Which report was concurred in and the resolutions accompanying it were adopted.

BRO. JONATHAN D. HINES, from the Committee on Finances, presented the following reports :—

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California :—

Your committee report that the claims, for necessary expenses in attending the Grand Lodge, presented by Bro. JOHN MILLS BROWNE, Grand Master, for \$26 00, and by Bro. WILLIAM HENRY CRANE, Junior Grand Warden, for \$61 00, amounting in all to \$87 00, are correct, and it is recommended that they be paid.

Your committee, to whom was referred the report of the Grand Secretary relative to Masonic contributions for the yellow-fever sufferers in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee, report that they have examined that paper, with its accompanying vouchers, and find that, as usual, all has been done thoroughly and well ; and they would do less than their duty were they to dismiss, without proper commendation, the excellent manner in which that officer has conducted that business and the promptitude with which he has acted in forwarding the contributions to our brethren in those afflicted States.

Volumes would be inadequate to properly express the admiration which all must feel for the generous donors who so promptly and liberally responded to the cry of anguish and sorrow which arose from these fever-stricken districts, and it speaks to the credit of humanity and Masonry, that a brotherhood, at this time poor and struggling with its own necessities, should, almost in a moment, imbued with the grandest sentiments of love and charity, rise as one man in response to the wail of woe, suffering, and sorrow in our sister States.

Your committee recommend that the report be printed with the proceedings, and that, so soon as all reasonable apprehension of a necessity for further need shall have passed away, the Grand Secretary distribute the amount remaining in his hands to the several donors, in the proportions paid by each, and that he report his action thereupon at the next Annual Communication.

And your committee further desire to have perpetuated their remembrance of the aid which this Grand Lodge has received in its charitable efforts, by recommending the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Lodge of California are due, and are hereby tendered, to the officers of the Bank of California and to the Superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, for their generous and charitable action as set forth in the report of the Grand Secretary.

All which is respectfully submitted by

GEORGE C. PERKINS,	} <i>Committee.</i>
JOSIAH P. BROWN,	
ORRIN W. HOLLENBECK,	
JONATHAN D. HINES,	

Both which reports were concurred in and the resolution accompanying the last was adopted.

On motion of Bro. JONATHAN D. STEVENSON, it was ordered that certain proceedings at this Communication, relative to the Reserve Fund, be not printed.

Bros. GEORGE C. PERKINS, Past Grand Master, WILLIAM W. TRAYLOR, Deputy Grand Master, and MOSES HELLER, Grand Treasurer, were re-elected Trustees of the Reserve Fund for the ensuing year.

The hour appointed for the installation of the Grand Officers having arrived, at the request of the Grand Master elect the following appointments for the ensuing year were read by the Grand Secretary, viz.: as

Grand Chaplain,.....	Bro. THOMAS GUARD,.....	of <i>Pacific</i> ,	No. 136;
Grand Orator,.....	" LORENZO SAWYER,.....	of <i>Oriental</i> ,	" 144;
Asst. Grand Secretary, ..	" GEORGE TUTTLE GRIMES,.....	of <i>California</i> ,	" 1;
Grand Lecturer,.....	" JOHN WERNER SHAEFFER,.....	of <i>Mt. Moriah</i> ,	" 44;
Grand Marshal,.....	" JOHN QUINCY ADAMS,.....	of <i>Solano</i> ,	" 229;
Grand Bible Bearer,....	" SAMUEL GRAVES,.....	of <i>Golden Gate</i> ,	" 30;
Grand Standard Bearer, ..	" CHARLES FOX SHIELDS,.....	of <i>Union</i> ,	" 58;
Grand Sword Bearer,...	" LEMUEL TRESCOTT CRANE,...	of <i>Corinthian</i> ,	" 9;
Senior Grand Deacon,...	" ORRIN W. HOLLENBECK,.....	of <i>Eureka</i> ,	" 16;
Junior Grand Deacon,...	" HENRY SAYRE ORME,.....	of <i>Los Angeles</i> ,	" 42;
Senior Grand Steward,...	" JOHN PASHBURG,.....	of <i>St. John's</i> ,	" 37;
Junior Grand Steward,...	" HENRY MORSE ISAACS,.....	of <i>Inyo</i> ,	" 221;
Grand Pursuivant,.....	" GEORGE BURNHAM,.....	of <i>Palmyra</i> ,	" 151;
Grand Organist,.....	" SAMUEL DAVID MAYER,.....	of <i>Occidental</i> ,	" 22;
Grand Tyler,.....	" JAMES OGLESBY,.....	of <i>Excelsior</i> ,	" 166:

And the Grand Officers, elected and appointed, were then duly installed in their respective stations and places by the M.: W.: LEONIDAS E. PRATT, Past Grand Master, the M.: W.: WILLIAM A. DAVIES, Past Grand Master, acting as Master of the Ceremonies.

The Grand Master announced the appointment of the following standing committees for the year:—

On Jurisprudence :

Bro. William Caldwell Belcher,
 " William Abraham Davies,
 " Leonidas E. Pratt,
 " William Sewall Wells,
 " Lewis Fuller Jones.

On Grievances :

Bro. William Thomas Reynolds,
 " Samuel Greeley Hilborn,
 " John Chany Partridge,
 " Henry Hay Knapp,
 " Edgar Frank Preston.

On Correspondence :

Bro. William Henry Hill,
 " Thomas Jefferson Bowers,
 " Hiram Newton Rucker,
 " William Arthur Bennetts,
 " James Shadrach Bell.

On Returns :

Bro. Isaac Upham,
 " William Adams,
 " Jacob Joshua Eddleman,
 " David Burris,
 " Charles Guy Cargill.

On Pay of Members :

Bro. Jonathan Doan Hines,
 " Robert Press Smith, Jr.,
 " Alexander Buchanan Brady,
 " Joseph Bailey Cooke,
 " Nelson Reed Shaw.

The Grand Secretary reported that the Lodges, to which charters had been granted at this Communication, would be numbered and are located as follows:—

<i>Fresno,</i>	No. 247, at Fresno, Fresno County ;
<i>Alturas,</i>	" 248, at Alturas, Modoc County ;
<i>Greenville,</i>	" 249, at Greenville, Plumas County ;
<i>Adin,</i>	" 250, at Adin, Modoc County ;
<i>Brotherhood,</i>	" 251, at Duncan's Mills, Sonoma County.

He also reported that, of the two hundred and seven Lodges existing in this jurisdiction at the commencement of this Communication, one hundred and ninety-six had been represented at some time during its continuance.

The several regular and special committees were then called in their proper order, and, they having nothing further to present and no other business appearing, after prayer by the Grand Chaplain and music by the choir, the Grand Lodge of California was closed in Ample Form.

JOHN MILLS BROWNE,
Grand Master.

ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL,
Grand Secretary.

1878.		No. 234, dues in full to 31 July, 1878,	\$	30 00	\$	7 50
Aug. 7,	Hope,					
" 7,	Crescent,	" 45,	" " " " " "	 40 00		9 50
" 7,	El Dorado,	" 26,	" " " " " "	 63 00		15 50
" 7,	Forest,	" 66,	" " " " " "	 55 00		13 00
" 7,	Harmony,	" 164,	" " " " " "	 35 00		6 25
" 7,	Volcano,	" 56,	" " " " " "	 33 00		8 25
" 7,	Oriental,	" 144,	" " " " " "	 213 00		48 75
" 7,	Solano,	" 229,	" " " " " "	 72 00		17 25
" 8,	Confidence,	" 203,	" " " " " "	 16 00		3 75
" 8,	Mariposa,	" 24,	" " " " " "	 60 00		10 50
" 8,	Eden,	" 113,	" " " " " "	 41 00		10 25
" 8,	Manzanita,	" 102,	" " " " " "	 70 00		16 75
" 8,	San Buenaventura,	" 214,	" " " " " "	 77 00		18 00
" 8,	Yuba,	" 39,	" " " " " "	 84 00		20 50
" 8,	Arcturus,	" 180,	" " " " " "	 81 00		17 75
" 8,	Anaheim,	" 207,	" " " " " "	 40 00		9 50
" 8,	Lassen,	" 149,	" " " " " "	 83 00		18 25
" 8,	Nevada,	" 13,	" " " " " "	 119 00		28 25
" 9,	Mount Moriah,	" 44,	dispensation to rebalot,	 10 00		—
" 9,	S. San Francisco,	" 212,	dues in full to 31 July, 1878,	 50 00		11 25
" 9,	Vitruvius,	" 145,	" " " " " "	 41 00		10 25
" 9,	Hayward,	" 226,	" " " " " "	 22 00		5 50
" 9,	Woodland,	" 156,	" " " " " "	 83 00		20 75
" 9,	Texas,	" 46,	" " " " " "	 35 00		8 75
" 9,	Yount,	" 12,	" " " " " "	 88 00		21 25
" 10,	Madison,	" 23,	" " " " " "	 145 00		34 00
" 10,	Keith,	" 187,	" " " " " "	 61 00		15 25
" 10,	Truckee,	" 200,	" " " " " "	 73 00		16 50
" 10,	Saint John's,	" 37,	" " " " " "	 48 00		11 50
" 10,	Morning Star,	" 68,	" " " " " "	 138 00		33 50
" 11,	Vesper,	" 84,	" " " " " "	 94 00		18 50
" 11,	Guadalupe,	" 237,	" " " " " "	 75 00		13 25
" 11,	San Simeon,	" 196,	" " " " " "	 35 00		7 25
" 12,	Wilmington,	" 198,	" " " " " "	 31 00		7 75
" 12,	Santa Rosa,	" 57,	" " " " " "	 124 00		26 50
" 13,	Marin,	" 191,	" " " " " "	 51 00		12 00
" 13,	Temple,	" 14,	" " " " " "	 35 00		8 50
" 13,	Hiram,	" 43,	" " " " " "	 55 00		11 75
" 13,	Athens,	" 228,	" " " " " "	 33 00		8 25
" 13,	North Star,	" 91,	" " " " " "	 39 00		9 50
" 13,	Hornitos,	" 98,	" " " " " "	 31 00		7 00
" 13,	Grafton,	" 141,	" " " " " "	 34 00		7 75
" 13,	Gold Hill,	" 32,	" " " " " "	 38 00		8 00
" 13,	Yolo,	" 81,	" " " " " "	 46 00		9 75
" 13,	Georgetown,	" 25,	" " " " " "	 54 00		12 00
" 13,	San Jose,	" 10,	" " " " " "	 167 00		40 50
" 13,	Buckeye,	" 195,	" " " " " "	 62 00		14 50
" 13,	Pleasanton,	" 218,	" " " " " "	 42 00		9 50
" 14,	Martinez,	" 41,	" " " " " "	 64 00		12 75
" 14,	Corinthian,	" 9,	" " " " " "	 103 00		25 75
" 14,	Northern Light,	" 190,	" " " " " "	 59 00		12 00
" 14,	Vacaville,	" 134,	" " " " " "	 59 00		11 25
" 14,	Ionic,	" 121,	" " " " " "	 36 00		9 00

1878.		Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.
Aug. 14, <i>Clay</i> ,	No. 101, dues in full to 31 July, 1878,....	\$ 61 00	\$13 75
" 14, <i>Table Mountain</i> ,	" 124, " " " " " " " "....	69 00	14 25
" 14, <i>Friendship</i> ,	" 210, " " " " " " " "....	72 00	17 00
" 14, <i>Contra Costa</i> ,	" 227, " " " " " " " "....	37 00	7 75
" 14, <i>Nicolaus</i> ,	" 129, " " " " " " " "....	51 00	12 25
" 14, <i>Arcata</i> ,	" 106, " " " " " " " "....	53 00	9 00
" 14, <i>Campo Seco</i> ,	" 100, " " " " " " " "....	35 00	6 25
" 14, <i>Elk Grove</i> ,	" 173, " " " " " " " "....	32 00	7 50
" 14, <i>Monterey</i> ,	" 217, " " " " " " " "....	29 00	7 00
" 14, <i>Silveyville</i> ,	" 201, " " " " " " " "....	68 00	16 75
" 14, <i>Covelo</i> ,	" 231, " " " " " " " "....	44 00	8 00
" 14, <i>Natoma</i> ,	" 64, " " " " " " " "....	53 00	12 50
" 14, <i>Lexington</i> ,	" 104, " " " " " " " "....	43 00	10 75
" 14, <i>La Grange</i> ,	" 99, " " " " " " " "....	51 00	11 00
" 14, <i>Los Angeles</i> ,	" 42, " " " " " " " "....	110 00	25 25
" 15, <i>Tyre</i> ,	" 238, " " " " " " " "....	27 00	6 50
" 15, <i>Gibsonville</i> ,	" 158, " " " " " " " "....	53 00	11 75
" 15, <i>Rising Star</i> ,	" 83, " " " " " " " "....	42 00	10 50
" 15, <i>Enterprise</i> ,	" 70, " " " " " " " "....	65 00	14 25
" 15, <i>Sierra Valley</i> ,	" 184, " " " " " " " "....	45 00	9 75
" 15, <i>Phumas</i> ,	" 60, " " " " " " " "....	64 00	13 00
" 15, <i>Jefferson</i> ,	" 97, " " " " " " " "....	25 00	5 75
" 15, <i>Crockett</i> ,	" 139, " " " " " " " "....	101 00	22 25
" 15, <i>Parfaite Union</i> ,	" 17, " " " " " " " "....	118 00	26 50
" 15, <i>Summit</i> ,	" 112, " " " " " " " "....	53 00	11 50
" 15, <i>Stanislaus</i> ,	" 206, " " " " " " " "....	70 00	16 50
" 15, <i>Tuolumne</i> ,	" 8, " " " " " " " "....	88 00	22 00
" 15, <i>Russian River</i> ,	" 181, " " " " " " " "....	45 00	11 25
" 15, <i>Sacramento</i> ,	" 40, " " " " " " " "....	140 00	30 75
" 15, <i>San Joaquin</i> ,	" 19, " " " " " " " "....	64 00	16 00
" 15, <i>Concord</i> ,	" 117, " " " " " " " "....	69 00	14 50
" 15, <i>Pajaro</i> ,	" 110, " " " " " " " "....	111 00	27 75
" 16, <i>Franklin</i> ,	" 143, " " " " " " " "....	31 00	6 50
" 16, <i>Santa Barbara</i> ,	" 192, " " " " " " " "....	51 00	12 50
" 16, <i>Magnolia</i> ,	" 242, " " " " " " " "....	51 00	10 00
" 16, <i>Eucalyptus</i> ,	" 243, " " " " " " " "....	18 00	4 25
" 16, <i>Amador</i> ,	" 65, " " " " " " " "....	45 00	11 25
" 16, <i>Keystone</i> ,	" 161, " " " " " " " "....	22 00	5 00
" 16, <i>Clear Lake</i> ,	" 183, " " " " " " " "....	36 00	8 50
" 16, <i>Pescadero</i> ,	" 239, " " " " " " " "....	20 00	4 25
" 16, <i>San Mateo</i> ,	" 168, " " " " " " " "....	59 00	13 25
" 16, <i>Equality</i> ,	" 240, " " " " " " " "....	63 00	13 75
" 17, <i>San Benito</i> ,	" 211, " " " " " " " "....	69 00	17 25
" 17, <i>Humboldt</i> ,	" 79, " " " " " " " "....	89 00	20 00
" 17, <i>Quitman</i> ,	" 88, " " " " " " " "....	38 00	9 25
" 17, <i>Santa Ana</i> ,	" 241, " " " " " " " "....	41 00	10 00
" 17, <i>Alameda</i> ,	" 167, " " " " " " " "....	59 00	14 25
" 17, <i>Suisun</i> ,	" 55, " " " " " " " "....	81 00	18 75
" 17, <i>King David's</i> ,	" 209, " " " " " " " "....	65 00	13 75
" 17, <i>Santa Cruz</i> ,	" 38, " " " " " " " "....	122 00	27 75
" 17, <i>Geo. Washington</i> ,	" 62, " " " " " " " "....	25 00	5 75
" 17, <i>North Butte</i> ,	" 230, " " " " " " " "....	58 00	9 25
" 18, <i>Rose's Bar</i> ,	" 89, " " " " " " " "....	38 00	8 75

1878.		Gen. Fund.	Rep. Fund.
Aug. 19, <i>Pilot Hill,</i>	No. 160, dues in full to 31 July, 1878,....	\$ 20 00	\$ 5 00
" 19, <i>Inyo,</i>	" 221, " " " " " " " "	69 00	9 00
" 19, <i>Speranza Italia,</i>	" 219, " " " " " " " "	61 00	15 25
" 20, <i>Claiborne,</i>	" 185, " " " " " " " "	40 00	7 25
" 20, <i>Colusa,</i>	" 142, " " " " " " " "	59 00	14 00
" 20, <i>Union,</i>	" 58, " " " " " " " "	156 00	35 00
" 20, <i>Live Oak,</i>	" 61, " " " " " " " "	121 00	28 25
" 21, <i>Michigan City,</i>	" 47, " " " " " " " "	43 00	10 00
" 21, <i>Western Star,</i>	" 2, " " " " " " " "	65 00	15 50
" 21, <i>Hermann,</i>	" 127, " " " " " " " "	125 00	27 50
" 21, <i>Trinity,</i>	" 27, " " " " " " " "	88 00	17 50
" 21, <i>Mokelumne,</i>	" 31, " " " " " " " "	33 00	7 00
" 21, <i>Granite,</i>	" 222, " " " " " " " "	51 00	9 25
" 22, <i>Oroville,</i>	" 103, " " " " " " " "	68 00	17 00
" 22, <i>Doric,</i>	" 216, " " " " " " " "	131 00	23 50
" 22, <i>Alcatraz,</i>	" 244, " " " " " " " "	57 00	12 50
" 22, <i>Downey,</i>	" 220, " " " " " " " "	59 00	14 75
" 22, <i>Latrobe,</i>	" 189, " " " " " " " "	23 00	5 75
" 22, <i>Valley,</i>	" 135, " " " " " " " "	45 00	10 00
" 24, <i>Forbestown,</i>	" 50, " " " " " " " "	63 00	15 00
" 24, <i>Tehama,</i>	" 3, " " " " " " " "	123 00	27 75
" 24, <i>Brooklyn,</i>	" 225, " " " " " " " "	37 00	8 75
" 24, <i>Drytown,</i>	" 174, " " " " " " " "	24 00	6 00
" 26, <i>Saint Louis,</i>	" 86, " " " " " " " "	53 00	12 50
" 26, <i>San Diego,</i>	" 35, " " " " " " " "	93 00	19 00
" 26, <i>Bodega,</i>	" 213, " " " " " " " "	17 00	3 50
" 27, <i>Saint Mark's,</i>	" 85, " " " " " " " "	30 00	7 50
" 27, <i>Acacia,</i>	" 92, " " " " " " " "	40 00	8 75
" 28, <i>Mountain View,</i>	" 194, " " " " " " " "	22 00	5 25
" 30, <i>Benicia,</i>	" 5, " " " " " " " "	56 00	12 25
" 30, <i>Merced,</i>	" 176, " " " " " " " "	25 00	6 25
" 30, <i>Bakersfield,</i>	" 224, " " " " " " " "	42 00	9 00
Sept. 1, <i>Illinoistown,</i>	" 51, " " " " " " " "	40 00	9 25
" 3, <i>Dibble,</i>	" 109, " " " " " " " "	21 00	5 25
" 4, <i>Janesville,</i>	" 232, " " " " " " " "	41 00	7 75
" 6, <i>Sotoyome,</i>	" 123, " " " " " " " "	78 00	17 75
" 6, <i>Estate of James Laidley,</i>	10 per ct. of claim for \$5,191 22,...	519 12	—
" 9, <i>Antioch,</i>	No. 175, dues in full to 31 July, 1878,....	47 00	11 75
" 10, <i>Pacific,</i>	" 136, dispensation to rebalot,.....	10 00	—
" 14, <i>Pomona,</i>	" 246, dues in full to 31 July, 1878,....	25 00	5 25
" 15, <i>Sincerity,</i>	" 132, " " " " " " " "	31 00	6 25
" 20, <i>Howard,</i>	" 96, " " " " " " " "	41 00	10 25
" 24, <i>Saint Helena,</i>	" 93, " " " " " " " "	58 00	12 00
" 26, <i>Laurel,</i>	" 245, " " " " " " " "	54 00	8 50
" 26, <i>El River,</i>	" 147, " " " " " " " "	44 00	11 00
" 27, <i>Bear Mountain,</i>	" 76, " " " " " " " "	29 00	6 00
Oct. 2, <i>Abell,</i>	" 146, " " " " " " " "	78 00	16 75
" 3, <i>Greenville,</i>	U. D., " " " " 30 Sept., "	27 00	6 00
" 3, <i>Alturas,</i>	U. D., " " " " " " " "	21 00	3 75
" 4, <i>Brotherhood,</i>	U. D., " " " " " " " "	14 00	2 75
" 5, <i>Bodie,</i>	U. D., " " " " " " " "	13 00	3 25
" 10, <i>Fresno,</i>	U. D., " " " " " " " "	45 00	6 50
" 10, <i>Fresno,</i>	U. D., fee for charter,.....	50 00	—

1878.		Gen.Fund.	Rep.Fund.
Oct. 14, <i>Adin</i> ,	U. D., dues in full to 30 Sept., 1871,....	17 00	3 50
" 14, <i>Alturas</i> ,	U. D., fee for charter,.....	50 00	—
" 14, <i>Adin</i> ,	U. D., fee for charter,.....	50 00	—
" 14, <i>Brotherhood</i> ,	U. D., fee for charter,.....	50 00	—
" 14, <i>Greenville</i> ,	U. D., fee for charter,.....	50 00	—
" 17, <i>Masonic Hall Assoc'n</i> ,	Dividend on 2636 shares stock,..	659 00	—
" 21, <i>Oak Grove</i> ,	No. 215, dues in full to 31 July, 1878,....	41 00	8 50
" 29, <i>Ferndale</i> ,	" 193, " " " " " " " "	51 00	12 75
Total amounts received to 31st October, 1878,.....		\$15,094 12	\$3,033 00
Making an aggregate sum of receipts of.....		\$18,127 12	

This Mourning Page,

BY ORDER OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

IS GIVEN TO THE MEMORY OF OUR ESTEEMED BROTHER,

Henry Huntley Haight;

Who was born in the City of Rochester, in the State of New York,
On the twentieth day of May, 1825,
And who died in the City of San Francisco, State of California,
On the second day of September, 1878.

HE WAS

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

During four years from 1867 to 1871,

AND, IN THE YEAR 1874, WAS

Grand Orator of this Grand Lodge.



An esteemed and useful citizen,
An able, learned, and distinguished lawyer,
An amiable, courteous, polished, and Christian gentleman,
A brother of generous thoughts and charitable deeds,
He leaves us nought but pleasant memories of his life
And grief for his untimely death.

This Mourning Page,

BY ORDER OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

IS GIVEN TO THE MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED BROTHER,

William Edward Moody;

Who was born in the City of Portland, in the State of Maine,
On the eleventh day of October, 1825,
And who died in the City of San Francisco, State of California,
On the twenty-eighth day of August, 1878.

HE WAS

A Good Man, a Faithful Friend, and a Zealous Mason;

HAD BEEN

Grand Lecturer of the Grand Chapter

Of the State of California;

AND, AT THE TIME OF HIS DEATH, WAS

ASSISTANT GRAND SECRETARY

OF THIS GRAND LODGE.



BY HIS

Unfailing attention to the duties of his office,
His ever social, kindly, and obliging manner,
His goodness of heart and gentleness of disposition,
He had endeared himself to all who knew him,
And leaves many, very many, to mourn his loss.

A M E N D M E N T S

TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GRAND LODGE,

Adopted October, A. L. 5878.

I. To strike out, in the first line of the seventh clause of Section 2, Article VIII, Part I, the words "two dollars," and insert in lieu thereof the words "one dollar;" so that that clause shall now read as follows:—

7th. For a diploma of any kind, the sum of one dollar, except when issued for the widow or children of a deceased Mason, in which case there shall be no charge; but no diploma shall issue except upon the presentation to the Grand Secretary of a certificate from the Secretary of a Lodge, in one of the forms prescribed in Art. III, Part VII.

II. To strike out all the seventh clause of Section 3, Article IV, Part II, which has heretofore read as follows:—

7th. For a diploma of any kind, (except when issued for the widow or children of a deceased brother,) the sum of three dollars.

P R O P O S E D A M E N D M E N T S

TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GRAND LODGE,

To be finally acted upon in October, A. L. 5879.

I. To strike out, in the second line of the fourth clause of Section 1, Article IV, Part II, the word "quarterly," and insert in lieu thereof the word "immediately;" so that that clause may read as follows:—

4th. To collect all moneys due to the Grand Lodge, keep a correct account thereof in proper books, and pay the same immediately to the Grand Treasurer.

II. To strike out all of Section 3, Article IV, Part II, after the word "direct" in the second line thereof; so that that section may read as follows:—

SEC. 3. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Grand Lodge may direct.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF CALIFORNIA,

AS

AMENDED AT THE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

IN OCTOBER, 1878.

PART I.

Of the Organization of the Grand Lodge.

ARTICLE I.

OF ITS TITLE AND SEAL.

SECTION 1. This Grand Lodge shall be entitled "The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of California."

SEC. 2. It shall have a Seal—bearing such devices and inscriptions as by it have heretofore been, or may hereafter be, determined—which shall be affixed to all instruments issued by or under its authority.

ARTICLE II.

OF ITS MEMBERS AND THEIR QUALIFICATIONS.

SECTION 1. The Grand Lodge shall be composed of a Grand Master, (whose address shall be *Most Worshipful*,) a Deputy Grand Master, a Senior Grand Warden, and a Junior Grand Warden, (whose addresses shall severally be *Right Worshipful*,) a Grand Treasurer and a Grand Secretary, (whose addresses shall severally be *Very Worshipful*,) a Grand Chaplain, (whose address shall be *Very Reverend*,) a Grand Orator, a Grand Marshal, a Grand Standard Bearer, a Grand Sword Bearer, a Grand Bible Bearer, a Senior Grand Deacon, a Junior Grand Deacon, two Grand Stewards, a Grand Pursuivant, a Grand Organist, and a Grand Tyler, (whose addresses shall severally be *Worshipful*,) together with all the Past Grand Officers and Past Masters of this jurisdiction, and the Masters and Wardens of the several chartered and duly constituted Lodges, or the representatives thereof duly elected as provided in Art. II, Part VII.

SEC. 2. Each officer and member of the Grand Lodge must be a member of some Lodge within its jurisdiction. With the cessation of such membership shall cease his office and membership in the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 3. No member of the Grand Lodge shall be represented therein by proxy.

ARTICLE III.

OF ITS POWERS AND AUTHORITY.

SECTION 1. The Grand Lodge is the Supreme Masonic Power and Authority in this State, possessing all the attributes of sovereignty and government—legislative, executive, and judicial—limited only by a strict adherence to the Ancient Landmarks of the Order, and by the provisions of its own Constitution and Regulations.

SEC. 2. Its legislative powers extend to every case of legislation not expressly delegated by itself to the Lodges; and the Constitutions and Regulations, which it has an inalienable right to adopt and promulgate at its own convenience, and to alter, amend, or repeal at its own pleasure, under the limitations therein imposed, are final and binding upon all Lodges and Masons within its jurisdiction, until so altered, amended, or repealed.

SEC. 3. Its executive powers include the granting of dispensations and charters to establish and perpetuate Lodges within this State, and in other territory where no Grand Lodge exists; the revocation or suspension thereof; the issuing of special dispensations for all purposes permitted by any of the provisions of this Constitution; and the exercise, generally, of all such authority as may be necessary to carry its own legislation into complete effect.

SEC. 4. Its judicial powers are of two kinds:—

1st. *Original*—Including the decision of all controversies between any of the Lodges, or between one of them and a member or members of another; and the enforcement of discipline upon its own members and upon the Lodges under its jurisdiction: and

2d. *Appellate*—Embracing the revision of all matters of controversy or discipline, proper for Masonic investigation, which may have arisen in any of the Lodges, and over which it has not retained original jurisdiction.

ARTICLE IV.

OF ITS COMMUNICATIONS.

SECTION 1. The Grand Lodge shall hold its Annual Communications, for the transaction of its regular business, at the city of San Francisco, commencing on the second Tuesday of October, at ten o'clock, A. M.

SEC. 2. Special Communications may be ordered by the Grand Master whenever, in his opinion, the welfare of the Fraternity shall require it.

SEC. 3. Special Communications shall be ordered by the Grand Master upon an application therefor in writing, setting forth the causes which demand it, and signed by the Masters of at least fifteen chartered Lodges.

SEC. 4. Every order for a Special Communication shall designate the object thereof, so far as is proper to be written, and, unless such Communication be called merely for the performance of some Masonic ceremony, shall be issued to each Lodge and Grand Officer at least thirty days before the day named for meeting; and no business shall be transacted thereat other than that for which the Grand Lodge was especially convened.

SEC. 5. The officers or representatives of at least seventy-five chartered Lodges shall be present in order to transact any business in the Grand Lodge, either at an Annual or Special Communication; but, upon occasions of ceremony only, the Grand Master, or his duly authorized representative, with a sufficient number of brethren to fill the stations and places, may at any time open the Grand Lodge and perform the ceremonies for which it was convened.

SEC. 6. None but members of the Grand Lodge (the Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, or Representatives of other Grand Lodges, and the members of the Grand Organist's choir, excepted) shall be present at the opening thereof or during an election therein.

ARTICLE V.

OF ITS ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

SECTION 1. The Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Wardens, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary shall be elected by ballot, at each Annual Communication, upon the fourth day thereof; shall be installed before its close; and shall hold their respective offices until their successors shall have been elected and installed. A majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary for an election.

SEC. 2. All other Grand Officers shall be appointed by the Grand Master, immediately after his installation, at each Annual Communication; shall be properly invested before the close thereof; and shall hold their respective offices during his will and pleasure.

SEC. 3. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in any elective office of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master shall have power to fill the same by appointment, which appointment shall be valid until the succeeding annual election and installation; and the officer so appointed shall be charged with all the duties and responsibilities of one regularly elected.

ARTICLE VI.

OF ITS VOTING AND REPRESENTATION.

SECTION 1. All questions in the Grand Lodge, except elections of officers, shall be decided either *viva voce* or by a show of hands; unless, before the announcement of the result thereof, three members shall demand that the vote be taken by yeas and nays, in which case it shall thus be taken.

SEC. 2. Each Grand Officer present, whether elected or appointed, (except the Grand Tyler,) and each Past Grand Officer present, shall be entitled to one vote.

SEC. 3. Each Lodge represented shall be entitled to three votes; and the Past Masters of each Lodge shall, collectively, be entitled to one vote.

SEC. 4. No Grand Officer, Past Grand Officer, or Past Master, voting, or participating in a vote, in either of those capacities, shall vote, or participate in a vote, in any other of them; but either of such members may, as Master, Warden, or representative of a Lodge, cast also the vote or votes to which such position shall entitle him.

SEC. 5. When a Lodge shall be represented by only two of its proper officers, the officer highest in rank may cast two of its three votes.

SEC. 6. When a Lodge shall be represented by only one of its proper officers, or by a representative, such officer or representative may cast all the votes to which it is entitled.

SEC. 7. In all cases of a tie vote, except votes by ballot, the Grand Master, in addition to his proper vote, may have the casting vote.

ARTICLE VII.

OF ITS COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES.

SECTION 1. The following regular committees, to consist of five members each, shall be appointed by the Grand Master at each Annual Communication, as soon as practicable after its commencement, viz.: On Credentials, on Finances, on Charters, and on By-Laws of Lodges, the duties of which committees shall cease at the close of such Communication.

SEC. 2. The following standing committees, to consist of five members each, shall also be appointed by the Grand Master at each Annual Communication, just before its close, viz.: On Jurisprudence, on Grievances, on Correspondence, and on Returns, the duties of which committees shall continue during the year thereafter, and shall cease at the close of the next succeeding Annual Communication.

SEC. 3. Special committees may also be appointed by the Grand Master, whenever it may be deemed necessary by the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 4. No business of any kind shall be finally acted upon until after reference to and report upon by a committee, unless by unanimous consent; and no appropriation of money shall be made until after reference to and report upon by the Committee on Finances.

ARTICLE VIII.

OF ITS REVENUES AND THEIR SOURCES.

SECTION 1. The revenue of the Grand Lodge shall be derived from the following sources:—

1st. From fees charged for dispensations, charters, diplomas, and other documents issued under its authority:

2d. From contributions levied upon the Lodges, which shall always be equal and uniform, in proportion to their membership and degrees conferred: and

3d. From the funds, dues, and proceeds of all property of dissolved Lodges within its jurisdiction.

SEC. 2. The following shall be the fees charged as above, exclusive of those provided in Sec. 3, Art. IV, Part II, to be paid to the Grand Secretary:—

1st. For a dispensation to form a new Lodge, the sum of seventy-five dollars:

2d. For a charter to perpetuate a Lodge, the sum of fifty dollars:

3d. For a dispensation to hold an election of an officer or officers at a time other than that prescribed in Sec. 1, Art. I, Part IV, the sum of ten dollars:

4th. For a dispensation to ballot for a candidate for the degrees, without the reference to a committee prescribed in Sec. 3, Art. III, Part III, the sum of ten dollars:

5th. For a dispensation to receive and act upon the petition of a rejected candidate for the degrees, within a less period than the twelve months prescribed in Sec. 2, Art. III, Part III, the sum of ten dollars:

6th. For a dispensation to receive and act upon the petition for degrees of a person belonging to the army or navy of the United States, who may not possess the qualification of residence prescribed in Sec. 2, Art. III, Part III, the sum of ten dollars: and

7th. For a diploma of any kind, the sum of one dollar, except when issued for the widow or children of a deceased Mason, in which case there shall be no charge; but no diploma shall issue except upon the presentation to the Grand Secretary of a certificate from the Secretary of a Lodge, in one of the forms prescribed in Art. III, Part VII.

SEC. 3. In no case shall either of the foregoing documents be issued until the fees therefor shall have been paid to the Grand Secretary.

SEC. 4. The following contributions shall be paid as annual dues by each of the Lodges, whether chartered or under dispensation, at the time and in the manner provided in Sec. 4, Art. II, Part III:—

1st. For each degree it shall have conferred during the year, the sum of one dollar:

2d. For each Master Mason borne upon its roll at the date of its annual report, the sum of one dollar:

And the Grand Lodge may levy, in addition to the above, such other contributions as in its judgment may be required.

SEC. 5. In case of the dissolution of a Lodge, the Grand Secretary, or some brother by him duly authorized, shall at once proceed to receive its funds on hand, collect its outstanding dues, and dispose of its jewels, furniture, and other property of every kind, in such manner as shall seem to him most judicious; and he shall place the proceeds thereof, after the payment of all just debts and necessary expenses, among the funds of the Grand Lodge.

PART II.

Of the Grand Officers, and their Powers and Duties.

ARTICLE I.

OF THE GRAND MASTER.

SECTION 1. The Grand Master, during the interval between the Communications of the Grand Lodge, may exercise all its executive powers as defined in Sec. 3, Art. III, Part I, except the granting of charters. By virtue of these, authority is given him, among other things—

1st. To grant dispensations for the formation of new Lodges, under the regulations prescribed in Sec. 2, Art. I, Part III:

2d. To grant dispensations for the holding elections of an officer or officers at times other than the regular period prescribed in Sec. 1, Art. I, Part IV, under the regulations provided in Sec. 2, Art. I, Part IV:

3d. To grant dispensations to ballot for and confer the degrees upon candidates without the reference of their applications to committees, as prescribed in Sec. 3, Art. III, Part III, under the regulations provided in Sec. 4, Art. III, Part III:

4th. To grant dispensations to receive and act upon the petitions of rejected applicants for the degrees, within a less period than the twelve months prescribed in Sec. 2, Art. III, Part III, under the regulations provided in Sec. 4, Art. III, Part III:

5th. To grant dispensations to receive and act upon the petitions for degrees of persons, belonging to the army or navy of the United States, who may not possess the qualification of residence prescribed in Sec. 2, Art. III, Part III, under the regulations provided in Sec. 5, Art. III, Part III:

6th. To convene any Lodge, preside therein, inspect its proceedings, and compel its conformity to Masonic usage:

7th. To arrest the charter or dispensation of any Lodge, for good reasons shown, and suspend the operations thereof until the next Annual Communication:

8th. To suspend the Master of any Lodge from the exercise of the powers and duties of his office, for good reasons shown, until the next Annual Communication:

9th. To require the attendance of and information from any Grand Officer respecting matters appertaining to the duties of his office: and

10th. To appoint Representatives near other recognized Grand Lodges, and to receive and accredit Representatives from them.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the Grand Master—

1st. To preside in the Grand Lodge at all its Communications:

2d. To present, at each Annual Communication, a written message, therein setting forth all his official acts during the year, exhibiting the general condition of Masonry within the jurisdiction, and recommending such legislation as he may deem necessary or expedient for the welfare of the Order:

3d. To constitute all chartered Lodges, either in person or by a duly authorized representative, in accordance with the ancient usages and regulations:

4th. To exercise a general and careful supervision over the Craft, and see that the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge are strictly maintained, supported, and obeyed: and

5th. To discharge all the necessary executive functions of the Grand Lodge when that body is not in session.

ARTICLE II.

OF THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER AND GRAND WARDENS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Deputy Grand Master to assist the Grand Master in the discharge of his duties at all the Communications of the Grand Lodge, and, in his absence, to preside therein ; and, in the event of the death of the Grand Master, or of his absence from the State, or of his inability from any cause to perform the functions of his office, the Deputy Grand Master shall succeed to and be charged with all his powers and duties.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Grand Wardens to assist the Grand Master at all the Communications of the Grand Lodge, and, in his absence and that of the Deputy Grand Master, to preside therein in the order of their rank ; and, in case of the death, absence from the State, or inability, as before, of both their superiors, the Grand Wardens shall, in the order of their rank, succeed to and be charged with all the powers and duties of the Grand Master.

ARTICLE III.

OF THE GRAND TREASURER.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Grand Treasurer—

1st. To receive all moneys, belonging to the Grand Lodge, from the Grand Secretary ; to give him duplicate receipts therefor ; and to keep, in proper books, a just account thereof :

2d. To take charge of all other property of the Grand Lodge, except as provided in Sec. 1, Art. IV, of this Part, and keep an accurate account thereof :

3d. To pay all orders drawn upon such funds and moneys, under such regulations as may be provided by the Grand Lodge :

4th. To attend the Grand Lodge at all its Communications, and the Grand Master, when required, with the books and all necessary papers appertaining to his office ; and also, if required by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master, to attend, with such books and papers, upon any committee which may be appointed to act in relation to the fiscal concerns of the Grand Lodge : and

5th. To report, at each Annual Communication, a detailed account of his receipts and disbursements, with proper vouchers for the latter ; and to present a statement of the existing condition of its property and finances.

SEC. 2. He shall execute and file in the office of the Grand Master, within fifteen days after his installation, an official bond, in such penal sum and with such sureties as shall be approved by the Grand Master, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office as prescribed in this Constitution, and, at the end of his term, pay over and transfer to his successor all funds or property of the Grand Lodge which shall have come into his keeping.

SEC. 3. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Grand Lodge may direct.

ARTICLE IV.

OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary—

1st. To record all the transactions of the Grand Lodge which it is proper to have written ; and to superintend the publication thereof, immediately after the close of each Communication, under such instructions as may be given by the Grand Lodge :

2d. To receive, duly file, and safely keep all papers and documents addressed or belonging to the Grand Lodge ; and to present such as may require its action, at each Annual Communication thereof :

3d. To keep the Seal of the Grand Lodge and affix the same, with his attestation, to all instruments emanating from that body, and also to all the written official acts of the Grand Master, when by him required :

4th. To collect all moneys due to the Grand Lodge, keep a correct account thereof in proper books, and pay the same quarterly to the Grand Treasurer :

5th. To report, at each Annual Communication, a detailed account of all moneys received by him during the year, with a specific statement of the sources whence they were derived ; and to present therewith the receipts of the Grand Treasurer therefor :

6th. To report, at each Annual Communication, all Lodges which shall be in arrears to the Grand Lodge, or which shall have neglected or refused to comply with any provision of its Constitution and Regulations :

7th. To conduct the correspondence of the Grand Lodge and to submit copies thereof, at each Annual Communication, for its inspection :

8th. To attend the Grand Lodge at all its Communications, and the Grand Master, when required, with the books and all necessary papers appertaining to his office :

9th. To keep his office, with all the books, papers, and archives of the Grand Lodge, in a fire-proof building in the city of San Francisco ; and to have the same open at least six hours each day, except Sundays and legal holidays, for the transaction of Masonic business :

10th. To transmit to each Lodge within the jurisdiction, once in every two months, a list of all rejections, expulsions, suspensions, and restorations of which he shall have been notified by the several Lodges :

11th. To present, at each Annual Communication, an estimate of the probable expenses of the ensuing year, giving each class of expenditures under its proper head ; and also to present an estimate of the probable income from the known sources of revenue during the same period :

12th. To issue notices of any special Communication for important business, ordered by the Grand Master, to each Lodge and Grand Officer within the jurisdiction :

13th. To issue notices to each Lodge of the granting of a dispensation by the Grand Master for the formation of a new Lodge :

14th. To transmit to any Lodge, which shall send him a certificate of membership and good standing of a deceased brother, in the form prescribed in Art. III, Part VII, stating that he leaves a wife, child, or children, a Grand Lodge diploma for her, his, or their benefit, free of charge, when so requested by such Lodge :

15th. To take charge of the jewels, furniture, clothing, and other paraphernalia of the Grand Lodge during its vacations :

16th. To furnish every Grand Officer, elected or appointed, with a certificate of such election or appointment :

17th. To act as Grand Librarian and take charge of the library of the Grand Lodge, under such regulations as it may prescribe :

18th. To report, at each Annual Communication, all unfinished business of the Grand Lodge ; and to present all such other matters to its notice as may properly come within his province : and

19th. To perform all such other duties, appertaining to his office, as the Grand Lodge may direct.

SEC. 2. He shall execute and file in the office of the Grand Master, within fifteen days after his installation, an official bond, in such penal sum and with such sureties as shall be approved by the Grand Master, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office as prescribed in this Constitution.

SEC. 3. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Grand Lodge may direct ; and, in addition thereto, shall receive the following fees :—

1st. For a dispensation to form a new Lodge, the sum of fifteen dollars :

2d. For a charter to perpetuate a Lodge, the sum of ten dollars :

3d. For a dispensation to hold an election of an officer or officers, at another than the regular period, the sum of five dollars :

4th. For a dispensation to ballot for a candidate for the degrees without reference to a committee, the sum of five dollars :

5th. For a dispensation to receive and act upon the petition of a rejected applicant for the degrees, within a less period than twelve months, the sum of five dollars :

6th. For a dispensation to receive and act upon the petition for degrees of a person belonging to the army or navy of the United States, who may not possess the qualification of residence prescribed in Sec 2, Art. III, Part III, the sum of five dollars : and

7th. For every certificate (except those hereinbefore named) requiring the seal of the Grand Lodge, the sum of three dollars.

SEC. 4. He may, with the approval of the Grand Master, appoint an Assistant Grand Secretary for whose official acts he shall be responsible, and who shall be considered an appointed officer of the Grand Lodge and shall receive such compensation for his services as it may direct.

ARTICLE V.

OF THE APPOINTED GRAND OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Grand Chaplain, during each Communication of the Grand Lodge, to perform such services, appertaining to his office, as may be required of him by the Grand Master.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Grand Orator, at each Annual Communication, to deliver an address to the Grand Lodge upon matters appertaining to the Craft.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Grand Marshal—

1st. To proclaim the Grand Officers at their installation and to make such other proclamations as by the Grand Master may be directed :

2d. To introduce the Representatives of other Grand Lodges and all visiting brethren of distinction : and

3d. To conduct all processions of the Grand Lodge, under the direction of the Grand Master, and perform such other duties, proper to his office, as may be required.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Grand Standard Bearer to bear the Banner of the Grand Lodge in all processions and at all public ceremonies.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Grand Sword Bearer to attend upon the Grand Master and bear the Sword of the Grand Lodge in all processions and at all public ceremonies.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the Grand Bible Bearer to bear the Holy Writings in all processions and at all public ceremonies.

SEC. 7. It shall be the duty of the Grand Deacons to assist the Grand Master and Grand Wardens in such manner as the ancient usages of the Craft prescribe.

SEC. 8. It shall be the duty of the Grand Stewards to superintend the preparations for all festive occasions directed by the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 9. It shall be the duty of the Grand Pursuivant—

1st. To guard the inner door of the Grand Lodge and communicate with the Grand Tyler without :

2d. To announce all applicants for admission by their names and proper Masonic titles, and see that all who enter wear the jewel and clothing proper to their rank :

3d. To allow none to withdraw who have not obtained permission so to do from the Grand Master : and

4th. To act as Assistant to the Grand Marshal in all processions of the Grand Lodge and at all public ceremonies.

SEC. 10. It shall be the duty of the Grand Organist to preside at the organ at the opening and closing of the Grand Lodge, and to conduct its music upon all occasions of ceremony, when required.

SEC. 11. It shall be the duty of the Grand Tyler—

1st. To guard the outer door of the Grand Lodge and communicate with the Grand Pursuivant within :

2d. To report all applicants for admission to the Grand Pursuivant and see that all who enter are duly authorized and properly clothed :

3d. To make suitable preparations for the accommodation of the Grand Lodge at all its Communications, and see that its hall is kept in proper condition during their continuance :

4th. To take charge of and safely keep the jewels, furniture, clothing, and other paraphernalia of the Grand Lodge during its Communications : and

5th. To serve all notices and summonses, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master.

SEC. 12. The Grand Tyler shall receive for his services such compensation as the Grand Lodge may direct.

ARTICLE VI.

OF THE EXPENSES OF THE GRAND OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. Each of the elective Grand Officers shall be entitled to receive payment for the amount of his necessary expenses in attending the Grand Lodge at any of its Communications ; but in all cases the claims for such expenses shall be ascertained by the Committee on Finances, and be by it reported on, before allowance by the Grand Lodge.

PART III.

Of the Subordinate Lodges.

ARTICLE I.

OF THE ORGANIZATION OF A LODGE.

SECTION 1. A Lodge can only be formed by authority of a dispensation from the Grand Master, or of a charter from the Grand Lodge ; and no charter shall be granted to any Lodge until it shall have worked a time under dispensation, and shall have exhibited to the Grand Lodge satisfactory evidence of its Masonic capability.

SEC. 2. Upon the petition of seven or more Master Masons being presented to the Grand Master, in the form prescribed in Art. III, Part VII, he may grant them a dispensation to open and hold a Lodge at the place therein to be named, with power to make Masons and receive members by affiliation ; and he shall therein appoint the Master and Wardens of the new Lodge. But in no case shall such dispensation be issued unless the petition be accompanied by a recommendation from the nearest or most convenient chartered Lodge, (if from a town or city where more than one Lodge exists, then from a majority of such Lodges,) setting forth, in the form prescribed in Art. III, Part VII, that the petitioners are all Master Masons in good standing, that the establishment of the new Lodge is of manifest propriety and will conduce to the good of the Order, and that a safe and suitable Lodge-room has been

provided therefor; nor unless the petition shall also be accompanied by a certificate of withdrawal of each petitioner from the Lodge of which he was last a member, and by a certificate from a Master, whom the Grand Master is satisfied is well skilled in the Craft, in the form prescribed in Art. III, Part VII, declaring that the Master and Wardens proposed in such petition are fully competent properly to confer the three degrees of Masonry and to deliver entire the lectures thereunto appertaining. Such dispensation shall terminate upon the first day of the month in which the next succeeding Annual Communication shall be holden; and shall then be returned to the Grand Secretary, together with the by-laws, book of records, and returns of the new Lodge to that date.

SEC. 3. Upon the return of the dispensation of a new Lodge, as above, with a petition for a charter in the form prescribed in Art. III, Part VII, if an examination of its work and proceedings shall prove satisfactory, and if it shall produce a certificate, as required in the preceding section, that the Master and Wardens proposed are thoroughly skilled in the work and lectures, and if it shall also show that it is clear of all indebtedness, the Grand Lodge may order the issue of a charter to such Lodge, and assign it such name and number on the registry as shall be deemed proper; and such Lodge shall be duly constituted within sixty days thereafter, or its charter shall be forfeited. If the examination be not satisfactory, or such certificate and showing be not produced, the petition may be totally refused, or a continuance of the dispensation, until the next Annual Communication, may be ordered; but no such continuance shall be granted a second time.

SEC. 4. A Lodge shall consist of a Master, a Senior Warden, a Junior Warden, a Treasurer, a Secretary, a Senior Deacon, a Junior Deacon, a Tyler, and such other officers as its by-laws may provide; together with as many members as it may find convenient.

ARTICLE II.

OF THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF A LODGE.

SECTION 1. The powers and duties of a Lodge are such as are prescribed in its dispensation or charter, by the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge, and by the general regulations of Masonry; and they are defined as follows:—

1st. *Executive*—In the direction and performance of its work, as prescribed by the Grand Lodge, under the control of the Master; and in all other matters, in aid of the Master, who is the primary executive authority of the Lodge:

2d. *Legislative*—Including all matters of legislation relative to its internal concerns, which shall not be in violation of the general regulations of Masonry, the Constitution or Regulations of the Grand Lodge, or its own particular by-laws: and

3d. *Judicial*—Embracing the exercise of discipline over its own members (except the Master) and all other Masons within its jurisdiction, and the settlement of controversies between them; subject always to a revision by the Grand Lodge upon appeal.

SEC. 2. Each Lodge shall have not more than one stated meeting in each lunar month, but may hold such other meetings as it may determine or the Master shall direct; but no business of any kind, except collections or appropriations for charity, conferring of degrees, ceremonial observances, electing a representative to the Grand Lodge, or balloting for commissioners to try charges of unmasonic conduct, shall be done at any other than a stated meeting, unless by dispensation from the Grand Master, as provided in Sec. 1, Art. I, Part II. And all business, except the examination of candidates and conferring of the subordinate degrees, shall be done in a Lodge of Master Masons.

SEC. 3. Each chartered and duly constituted Lodge shall be represented in the Grand Lodge at every Communication by one or more of its proper officers, or by a representative duly elected as provided in Art. II, Part VII, which representative shall have credentials in the form provided in Art. III, Part VII.

SEC. 4. Each chartered Lodge shall transmit to the Grand Secretary a full and correct report of its transactions for the twelve months next preceding the first day of August in each year, within fifteen days thereafter, in such form as may be provided; and each Lodge under dispensation shall transmit a similar report from the date of its organization to the first day of October in each year, without delay. Every Lodge shall accompany such report with payment of its dues to the Grand Lodge for those periods, as prescribed in Sec. 4, Art. VIII, Part I.

SEC. 5. Each Lodge shall transmit to the Grand Secretary a copy of its by-laws as soon as adopted; but no such by-laws, nor any subsequent amendments thereunto, shall be deemed valid until approved by the Grand Lodge, though they may be acted under until the next Annual Communication if approved by the Grand Master.

SEC. 6. Each Lodge, having concurrent jurisdiction with another Lodge or other Lodges, shall immediately notify such other Lodge or Lodges of any application it may receive for the degrees or for affiliation.

SEC. 7. Each chartered Lodge shall, within two months from the date of its charter, provide a suitable seal, bearing such devices as may be deemed proper and having inscribed thereon the name and number of the Lodge, the date of its charter, and the place of its location; and all documents or papers of every kind whatsoever, emanating from such Lodge, or from its Master or Secretary in his official capacity, shall bear the impress of such seal or be considered null and of no effect.

SEC. 8. Each Lodge shall have all official communications from the Grand Master or Grand Secretary read in open Lodge at the stated meeting next following their receipt.

SEC. 9. Each Lodge shall provide the several books prescribed in Sec. 2, Art. V, Part IV, to be kept by its Secretary, which shall be prepared in accordance with forms to be provided.

SEC. 10. Each Lodge shall provide, in such manner as it may deem proper, for the payment of its officers or representatives in attending the Communications of the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 11. Two or more Lodges, located near each other, may consolidate into one upon such terms as may be agreed upon by themselves; but of such proposed consolidation the members of each Lodge shall have at least three months' notice before the stated meeting at which such proposition is to be acted upon, and it shall require the assent, in writing, of at least three-fourths of all the members of each Lodge to adopt such proposal for consolidation. The Lodge thus formed may bear the name and number of one of the Lodges composing it, in which case it may retain the charter and seal of that Lodge; or it may bear the name of one and the number of another of such Lodges, and shall then receive a new charter, without charge, and provide a new seal; or it may have an endorsement of the authorization of such consolidation by the Grand Lodge made upon the charter of one of the component Lodges. No such consolidation, however, shall go into effect until all the proceedings relative thereto shall have been submitted to and approved by the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 12. For the neglect or violation of any duty imposed upon a Lodge in this Constitution, its charter may be suspended or forfeited; and for the neglect or violation of any duty herein imposed upon a Secretary, his Lodge shall be held responsible.

ARTICLE III.

OF PROHIBITIONS.

SECTION 1. No Lodge shall remove its place of meeting from that named in its dispensation or charter, unless notice shall have been given at a stated meeting that a resolution for such removal will be offered at the next succeeding one, nor unless such resolution shall have been adopted by the votes of at least two-thirds of the members present at such succeeding stated meeting; nor shall such removal then take

place until the action of the Lodge shall have been approved by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master.

SEC. 2. No Lodge in this State shall receive an application for the degrees of Masonry unless the applicant shall have been a resident within the State during twelve months, and within the jurisdiction of the Lodge during six months, next preceding the date of his application, except in the case of a person belonging to the army or navy of the United States, whose application, though he have not that qualification of residence, may be received by dispensation from the Grand Master, as provided in Sec. 1, Art. I, Part II. Nor shall any Lodge receive such application from any person who, within twelve months next preceding, shall have been rejected by any Lodge, unless by dispensation from the Grand Master, as provided in Sec. 1, Art. I, Part II. All such applications, as well as those for affiliation, shall be in writing, signed by the applicant, and recommended by at least two members of the Lodge, in the forms prescribed in Art. III, Part. VII.

SEC. 3. No Lodge shall ballot upon any application named in the next preceding section, except by dispensation from the Grand Master, as provided in Sec. 1, Art. I, Part II, until it shall have been referred to a committee, whose duty it shall be to make strict examination into the moral, mental, physical, and other proper qualifications of the applicant, and to report thereon at the next stated meeting, unless further time be granted. No application shall be withdrawn after reference to a committee, except as hereinafter provided in this section. If the report of the committee, or of any member thereof, be unfavorable, no ballot shall be had, but the Master shall, upon the reception of such report, declare the candidate rejected. If the report be favorable, a ballot shall be had and it shall require an unanimous ballot to elect. If but one black ball appear in the ballot-box, the Master, without declaring the result, shall at once order a second ballot for the purpose of correcting a possible mistake, which ballot shall be the last; but in no case, after one ballot has been had, shall any discussion be permitted in the Lodge before the second ballot is had, nor shall the second ballot be postponed to another meeting of the Lodge. If the committee find the applicant disqualified in consequence of insufficient residence or physical disability, and find no other objection to him, they shall make a special report thereupon; in which case the Master may direct the withdrawal of the application without further action, and such direction shall be entered upon the record.

SEC. 4. No dispensation shall be issued to a Lodge to ballot for and confer the degrees upon a candidate without reference to a committee, as provided for in the next preceding section, nor to receive and act upon the petition of a rejected applicant within less than twelve months after the date of such rejection, unless the application therefor be made by the Lodge, by an unanimous vote, by ballot; and of the special meeting to be holden under such dispensation, and the purpose thereof, the members of the Lodge shall have due notice.

SEC. 5. No dispensation shall be issued to a Lodge to receive and act upon the petition for degrees of a person belonging to the army or navy of the United States, who has not the qualification of residence prescribed in Sec. 2 of this Article, unless the application therefor be made by the Lodge by an unanimous vote, by ballot; and should such dispensation be issued, the petition shall take the usual course of reference and ballot in the Lodge.

SEC. 6. No Lodge, unless it be otherwise provided in its by-laws, shall have more than one ballot for the three degrees; but, though an applicant may be elected to receive them, if, at any time before his initiation, objection be made by any member, he shall not receive the degree until such objection shall have been withdrawn; and such objection shall, unless withdrawn within sixty days, have the effect of a rejection by ballot, and shall be so reported to the Grand Secretary; and if, after his initiation, but before being passed, or after passing, before being raised, objection to his advancement be made by any member, such objection shall be referred to a com-

mittee, with power to inquire into the cause thereof, who shall, at the next stated meeting (unless further time be given) report thereon; and upon the reception of such report, if no cause for the objection has been assigned, or if the cause assigned be, in the opinion of two thirds of the members present, not a valid and Masonic one, the Lodge may confer the degree in the same manner as if no objection had been made.

SEC. 7. No Lodge shall advance an Entered Apprentice or a Fellow Craft to a higher degree until, after a strict examination in open Lodge, he shall have given satisfactory evidence that he is entirely proficient and well qualified in that or those which he has already taken; and no Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft shall be advanced to a higher degree in any Lodge other than that in which he shall have received those, or either of those degrees, unless by the official consent of such Lodge, if it then be in existence and be within the United States of America or the Dominion of Canada.

SEC. 8. No Lodge within this State shall confer the three degrees for a less fee than fifty dollars, nor shall any Lodge without the State, and under this jurisdiction, confer them for a less fee than thirty dollars; and in every case the entire fee for the degrees shall accompany the application, else such application shall not be received. Provided, however, that if the applicant has already received the first degree, or the first and second degrees, in another Lodge, the fee to accompany his application for the remaining degrees or degree shall be such proportion of the fee for all the degrees as the by-laws of the Lodge may prescribe.

SEC. 9. No Lodge shall confer degrees upon more than five candidates at any one meeting; nor shall confer more than one degree upon any one candidate at any one meeting; nor shall confer either of the degrees upon more than one candidate at a time.

SEC. 10. No Lodge, nor any Mason, shall appear in Masonic clothing in any public procession, or at any public meeting or place, without permission from the Grand Master, except for the burial of a brother or the performance of some other strictly Masonic duty or ceremony.

SEC. 11. No Lodge shall expel a member for the non-payment of his dues; but, in case any member shall have refused or neglected to pay his regular dues during a period of six months, he shall be notified by the Secretary that, unless at the next stated meeting either his dues be paid or sickness or inability to pay be shown as the cause of such refusal or neglect, he will be suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. If neither of these things be done he shall, at such stated meeting, be declared by the Master to be so suspended, unless, for special reasons shown, the Lodge shall remit his dues or grant him further time for their payment; but any Mason thus suspended, who shall at any time pay the arrearages due at the time of his suspension, together with such further dues as would, had he retained his membership, have accrued against him to the date of such payment, or who shall have had such arrearages and dues remitted by his Lodge, shall by either of these acts be restored.

SEC. 12. No Lodge shall receive lectures from any person who is not duly authorized by the Grand Lodge or the Grand Master.

SEC. 13. No Lodge shall receive an application for affiliation unless it be accompanied by a proper dimit from the Lodge of which the applicant was last a member, or a satisfactory explanation, in writing, of his inability to furnish such dimit.

SEC. 14. No Lodge shall bury with Masonic honors any Mason who has fallen in a duel.

SEC. 15. No Lodge or Mason shall hold Masonic communication with any Lodge which has been declared illegal by the Grand Lodge, or with any person who has received degrees in, or is a member of, such a Lodge.

SEC. 16. No Lodge shall admit a visitor without due inquiry or examination, nor if there be, in the opinion of the Master, a valid objection made to such admission by a member of the Lodge.

SEC. 17. No Lodge, which shall have failed to make its annual returns, with payment of its dues, as provided in Sec. 4, Art. II, Part III, and in Sec. 1, Art. V, Part IV, shall be entitled to representation at the next Communication.

SEC. 18. No Lodge shall recognize any Body, purporting to be a Masonic Lodge, which shall be holden within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of any State or Territory of the United States without authority from such Grand Lodge; nor shall any Lodge, or any member thereof, admit or hold Masonic intercourse with a member of any such Body.

SEC. 19. No Lodge shall recognize as a Mason any person who, being at the time a resident of this State, has received, or claims to have received, the degrees of Masonry from any source beyond the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, without the proper permission, until the Lodge nearest his place of residence shall have received him as a member. The proper permission, above mentioned, may only be given by the Lodge nearest his place of residence, and in the manner necessary for an election to receive the degrees.

SEC. 20. No Lodge, until chartered and duly constituted, shall be entitled to representation in the Grand Lodge; but a Lodge under dispensation may send delegates thereto, who may be admitted to seats and be permitted to speak, but shall have no vote.

ARTICLE IV.

OF THE DISSOLUTION OF LODGES.

SECTION 1. A Lodge may be dissolved—

1st. By the voluntary surrender of its charter, when such surrender shall have been accepted by the Grand Lodge: or

2d. By the revocation of its charter by the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 2. The charter of a Lodge may be surrendered if notice shall be given at a stated meeting that a resolution to that effect will be presented at the next succeeding one, and if, at such succeeding meeting, there shall not be thirteen members present who oppose such resolution; but no such act of surrender shall be considered final until it shall have been approved and accepted by the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 3. The charter of a Lodge may be forfeited—

1st. By disobedience to any provision of the Constitution or Regulations of the Grand Lodge:

2d. By disregard of the lawful authority of the Grand Master:

3d. By violation or neglect of the ancient and recognized usages of the Craft:

4th. By receiving applicants known to be unworthy, or refusing or neglecting to discipline unworthy members: or

5th. By failure to meet during a period of six successive months.

But no charter shall be forfeited unless charges against the Lodge shall have been presented to and investigated in the Grand Lodge, of which charges the Lodge accused shall have had due notice; though the same may be arrested until the next Annual Communication, either by the Grand Lodge or the Grand Master, upon satisfactory reasons therefor being shown.

SEC. 4. The forfeiture or arrest of the charter of a Lodge involves the suspension of all its members from the rights and privileges of Masonry, except those who may be specially exempted from such effect.

SEC. 5. The surrender or forfeiture of the charter of a Lodge, when declared by the Grand Lodge, shall be conclusive upon the Lodge and its members; and all its funds, jewels, furniture, dues, and property of every kind shall be disposed of as provided in Sec. 5, Art. VIII, Part I.



PART IV.

Of the Officers of Subordinate Lodges.

ARTICLE I.

OF ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

SECTION 1. The Master, Wardens, Treasurer, and Secretary of each Lodge shall be elected annually, by ballot, at the stated meeting next preceding the anniversary of Saint John the Evangelist; and a majority of the votes of the members present shall be necessary to elect. They shall be installed as soon as practicable thereafter, and shall hold their respective offices until their successors shall have been duly elected and installed.

SEC. 2. In case any Lodge shall fail to hold such election at the time above named, upon good cause being shown therefor the Grand Master may issue a dispensation to hold such election at another time; and in case a vacancy shall at any time occur in either of the offices of Master or Warden in any Lodge, upon proper representation of the necessity therefor the Grand Master may issue a dispensation for an election to fill such vacancy. But, in either of these cases, such dispensation shall be issued only upon the application of the Lodge, setting forth the reasons therefor, to be approved by two-thirds of the members present at a stated meeting, and to be properly certified by the Secretary; and of the special election which may thus be ordered, the members shall have due notice.

SEC. 3. None but members in good standing, whose dues are paid, shall be entitled to vote at an election; and every voter shall be eligible to any office in the Lodge.

SEC. 4. The Deacons, Tyler, and such other subordinate officers as the by-laws of each Lodge may designate, shall be appointed in such manner as they may direct; and the officers so appointed shall be properly invested as soon as practicable after their appointment.

ARTICLE II.

OF THE MASTER.

SECTION 1. The Master shall have power—

- 1st. To congregate his Lodge whenever he shall deem it proper:
- 2d. To issue, or cause to be issued, all summonses or notices which may be required:
- 3d. To discharge all the executive functions of his Lodge: and
- 4th. To perform all such other acts, by ancient usage proper to his office, as shall not be in contravention of any provision of the Constitution or Regulations of the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 2. It shall be his duty—

- 1st. To preside at all meetings of his Lodge:
- 2d. To confer all degrees in strict accordance with the ritual which has been, or may hereafter be, ordained by the Grand Lodge:
- 3d. To give, in full, the lectures appertaining to each degree, at the time it is conferred, in accordance with such ritual:
- 4th. To examine the record of proceedings at each meeting of his Lodge, when fairly transcribed by the Secretary, and, if found correct, subscribe his approval thereof:
- 5th. To superintend the official acts of all the officers of his Lodge and see that their respective duties are properly discharged: and

6th. To carefully guard against any infraction, by the members of his Lodge, of its own by-laws, of the Constitution or Regulations of the Grand Lodge, or of the general regulations of Masonry.

SEC. 3. From the decisions of the Master there shall be no appeal to the Lodge; but objections to such decisions may be laid before the Grand Master and by him be dealt with in the manner provided in Art. II, Part VI.

SEC. 4. In all cases of a tie vote, except votes by ballot, the Master, in addition to his proper vote, may have the casting vote.

SEC. 5. For the neglect or violation of any duty imposed by this Constitution upon the Master of a Lodge, he shall be subject to deprivation of office, suspension, or expulsion, as provided in Art. II, Part VI.

ARTICLE III.

OF THE WARDENS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Wardens to assist the Master in the performance of his duties, and to discharge all those duties which ancient usage has assigned to their respective stations.

SEC. 2. In the absence of the Master, the Senior Warden (and in his absence also, the Junior Warden,) shall succeed to and be charged with all the powers and duties of the Master.

ARTICLE IV.

OF THE TREASURER.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer—

1st. To receive and safely keep all moneys or property of every kind which shall be placed in his hands by order of the Lodge:

2d. To disburse or transfer the same, or any part thereof, upon the order of the Master duly attested by the Secretary:

3d. To keep a book or books wherein a correct account of his receipts and disbursements shall be exhibited:

4th. To present a statement of the finances of the Lodge whenever required: and

5th. To perform such other duties, appertaining to his office, as the by-laws may require or the Lodge may at any time direct.

ARTICLE V.

OF THE SECRETARY.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Secretary—

1st. To record all the proceedings at each meeting, which it is proper should be written, under the direction of the Master, in a Minute Book to be kept for that purpose; and to submit such record to the Lodge, at its next stated meeting, for approval or correction:

2d. To fairly transcribe such proceedings from the Minute Book to the regular Record Book, after they shall thus have been approved or corrected, and present them to the Master for his approval and signature when thus fairly transcribed:

3d. To prepare and transmit a copy of such record, or of any part thereof, to the Grand Lodge, when required:

4th. To collect and receive all moneys due to the Lodge and pay them over to the Treasurer:

5th. To keep the seal of the Lodge and to affix the same, with his attestation, to all papers issued under its authority or in obedience to the requirements of the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge:

6th. To transmit to the Grand Secretary, immediately after each election and installation in the Lodge, a certificate thereof in the form prescribed in Art. III, Part VII:

7th. To transmit to the Grand Secretary the annual report required in Sec. 4, Art. II, Part III, in such form as shall be provided: and

8th. To report to the Grand Secretary, immediately after their occurrence, all rejections, expulsions, suspensions, and restorations, in the forms provided in Art. III, Part VII.

SEC. 2. He shall keep the following books of the Lodge, in such forms as may be provided:—

1st. A Record Book, in which he shall record all the transactions of the Lodge, proper to be written, after the same shall have been approved:

2d. A Book of By-Laws, for the signatures of the members in the order of their admission, in which he shall see that each member at once signs his name in full:

3d. A Roll Book, in which he shall record, upon pages alphabetically arranged, the full name or names of all belonging to the Lodge; the dates of their initiation, passing, raising, or affiliation; the name, number, and location of the Lodges of which those affiliated last were members; the age and occupation of each when received; and the dates of their withdrawal, expulsion, suspension, death, or restoration:

4th. A Black Book, in which he shall record, upon pages alphabetically arranged, the full name or names of those rejected, expelled, suspended, or restored by any of the Lodges, so far as he shall receive the proper notice thereof: and

5th. A Register, to be kept in the Tyler's room, in which all members shall record their names, and all visitors shall record their names and the names, numbers, and locations of their respective Lodges, before entering the Lodge.

SEC. 3. He shall also keep such Account Books as may be necessary to present clearly the account of each member with the Lodge, the receipts of the Secretary, and his payments to the Treasurer; and shall preserve the Books of Constitutions and Regulations of the Grand Lodge, which may from time to time be published, together with all the printed proceedings thereof as promulgated by its order.

ARTICLE VI.

OF THE APPOINTED OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The Deacons, Tyler, and other appointed officers, shall perform such duties, consonant with the usages of the Craft and appertaining to their respective offices, as may be required by the by-laws or directed by the Master.

PART V.

Of Individual Masons.

ARTICLE I.

OF MEMBERSHIP IN A LODGE.

SECTION 1. Membership in a Lodge may be acquired—

1st. By having regularly received the degree of Master Mason therein:

2d. By having been duly elected for affiliation therewith:

3d. By having been named in a dispensation for a new Lodge as one of the petitioners therefor: and—

4th. By the consolidation into one Lodge of two or more Lodges, of one of which he was a member, in the manner prescribed in Sec. 11, Art. II, Part III.

SEC. 2. If a Mason shall have been elected to receive the three degrees and shall have received the first degree, or the first and second degrees, in one Lodge, and shall, at the request of such Lodge and on its behalf, receive the remaining degrees or degree in another Lodge, no petition, reference, or ballot shall be necessary in the last named Lodge, as the work will be done for the first, of which he will be deemed a member.

SEC. 3. If a Mason shall have received the first degree, or the first and second degrees, in one Lodge, and shall simply receive permission from such Lodge to receive the remaining degrees or degree in another Lodge, he shall be deemed a member of the Lodge in which he received the degree of Master[Mason].

SEC. 4. No Mason shall be a member of more than one Lodge at the same time.

SEC. 5. Membership in a Lodge can only be terminated--

1st. By the dissolution of the Lodge :

2d. By the consolidation of the Lodge with another Lodge or other Lodges :

3d. By voluntary withdrawal therefrom, after proper notice given: and

4th. By death, suspension, or expulsion.

SEC. 6. A member of a Lodge, in good standing and whose dues are paid, may withdraw therefrom at any time by giving notice of his intention so to do at a stated meeting, and he may receive a certificate of the fact of such withdrawal, in the form prescribed in Art. III, Part VII; but no recommendatory certificate shall be given him except by a vote of a majority of the members of the Lodge then present.

SEC. 7. All Masons who were members in good standing of a Lodge at the date of the surrender of its charter, and whose dues shall have been paid, are entitled to and may receive from the Grand Secretary a certificate of that fact, which certificate shall have the same effect as the regular recommendatory certificate of withdrawal issued by an existing Lodge.

ARTICLE II.

OF DUTIES, PROHIBITIONS, AND LIABILITIES.

SECTION 1. It is the duty of every Master Mason to be a member of some Lodge, and every non-affiliated Mason who, having resided six months within this State, shall refuse or neglect to make application for membership to some Lodge therein, or to pay to the Lodge within the jurisdiction of which he resides, during the whole period of such residence, an amount equivalent to its regular dues, while able so to do, shall be deemed unworthy of Masonic consideration, and shall not be entitled to nor be the recipient of any of the rights, privileges, or charities of the order.

SEC. 2. No member of a Lodge shall be required, requested, or allowed to divulge his vote upon a ballot for affiliation or for the degrees of Masonry, nor to assign reasons for such vote, if it be known, except to the Master for the purpose of correcting a mistake.

SEC. 3. No member of a Lodge, when present, shall be excused or permitted to refrain from voting upon a ballot for affiliation or for the degrees of Masonry.

SEC. 4. No Mason shall hold any Masonic intercourse with an expelled or suspended Mason, with an illegal Lodge, with any person who has received degrees therein or is a member thereof, nor with any Mason not acknowledged as such by this Grand Lodge.

SEC. 5. For non-payment of his dues a member may be suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, in the manner provided in Sec. 11, Art. III, Part III; but, in case of the death of a member while thus suspended, if there be no other Masonic offense established against him, his Lodge may, in its discretion, bury him with the customary Masonic honors.

SEC. 6. For any violation of the Ancient Landmarks of the Order, of the Constitution or Regulations of the Grand Lodge, of the by-laws of his Lodge, or of any portion of the Masonic or moral law, a member, or any other Mason within the jurisdiction of a Lodge, may be reprimanded, suspended, or expelled, in the manner provided in Art. IV, Part VI.

PART VI.

Of Trials, Appeals, and Penalties.

ARTICLE I.

RELATIVE TO THE GRAND MASTER.

SECTION 1. Charges may be preferred against the Grand Master for abuse of his power, violation of the Constitution or Regulations of the Grand Lodge, or other unmasonic conduct, by any five Masters of Lodges; which charges shall be in writing over their signatures, and shall be presented to the last Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge who may be within the State, and who is a member of a Lodge within its jurisdiction.

SEC. 2. Upon the presentation of such charges, it shall be the duty of such Past Grand Master to transmit a copy thereof to the accused, if within the State, at least thirty days, and if without the State, at least ninety days, before the time designated for the trial, together with a notification to attend at such time and place as he may therein name, which shall be one most convenient for the parties; and he shall also summon four or more other Past Grand Masters of this State, who shall be members of Lodges therein, to assemble with him at the time and place designated, and shall notify the accused thereof.

SEC. 3. The tribunal thus assembled, or any of its members, shall have power to summon witnesses at the request of either party; it shall receive such testimony as in its judgment shall be proper, and shall determine finally upon the guilt or innocence of the accused; and the opinion of a majority of all its members shall be the judgment of the tribunal and shall be final.

SEC. 4. The only penalty inflicted shall be deprivation of office; but, when thus deprived, the adjudged may be amenable to his Lodge upon a charge of unmasonic conduct.

SEC. 5. The Grand Secretary shall attend at the trial to keep a record of the proceedings and of the judgment, which shall be filed in his office and shall be presented at the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 6. The proceedings at such trial, not fully prescribed in this Article, shall, so far as may be applicable, be in conformity with the provisions of Art. IV of this Part.

SEC. 7. All necessary traveling expenses of the members of such tribunal shall be paid by the Grand Lodge, in the same manner as those of Grand Officers attending its Communications.

ARTICLE II.

RELATIVE TO MASTERS OF LODGES.

SECTION 1. Charges may be preferred against the Master of a Lodge for abuse of his power, violation of the Constitution or Regulations, or unmasonic conduct of

any kind, by any five Master Masons in good standing; which charges shall be in writing over their signatures, and shall be presented to the Grand Lodge, if in session, or to the Grand Master during the vacation.

SEC. 2. Upon the presentation of such charges, the Grand Lodge or the Grand Master, as the case may be, may at once appoint and summon not less than three nor more than seven disinterested brethren who shall be either Masters or Past Masters, to assemble as Commissioners to hear and determine thereupon; and shall then summon the accused to appear and answer thereunto, at such time and place most convenient for the parties as shall be indicated in said summons; giving him, if within the jurisdiction of his Lodge, at least ten days—if without that jurisdiction and within the State, at least thirty days—and if without the State, at least ninety days—to answer thereunto; and transmitting to him also a copy of the charges.

SEC. 3. The Commissioners, thus assembled, shall choose one of their number to preside; and they, or any of them, shall have power to summon witnesses at the request of either party. The witnesses, if Masons, shall testify upon their honor as such; if not, their depositions shall be taken, in writing, before an officer legally authorized to administer oaths; and, in such case, the party requiring such depositions shall notify the other of the time and place when and where they will be taken, that he may, if he choose, be present thereat.

SEC. 4. The Commissioners may adjourn from time to time, at their own convenience or for good cause shown by either party; provided, that the period within which their duties shall be concluded shall not exceed ten days, unless, for sufficient reasons, the Grand Master shall grant them further time.

SEC. 5. The opinion of a majority of all the Commissioners shall be deemed the judgment of the whole and shall be conclusive, unless an appeal be taken at the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 6. The penalties which may be inflicted by such Commissioners may be either deprivation of office, suspension, or expulsion, as in their judgment shall be deemed proper.

SEC. 7. The proceedings at such trial, not in this Article fully prescribed, shall, so far as may be applicable, be in conformity with the provisions of Art. IV of this Part.

SEC. 8. The Commissioners shall keep a complete record of their proceedings and of their judgment, and shall transmit the same to the Grand Secretary at the conclusion of the trial; and the judgment shall at once be carried into effect by order of the Grand Master.

SEC. 9. An appeal to the Grand Lodge may be taken at its next Annual Communication, by either party, if notice thereof be given to the Grand Secretary within thirty days after the conclusion of the trial.

ARTICLE III.

RELATIVE TO LODGES.

SECTION. 1. When a controversy shall arise between Lodges, or between a Lodge and a member or members of another Lodge, charges may be preferred by either party, if in good standing; which charges shall be in writing and shall be presented to the Grand Lodge or Grand Master, as provided in Sec. 1, Art. II, of this Part.

SEC. 2. Upon the presentation of such charges, not less than five nor more than seven Commissioners shall be appointed and summoned, as provided in Sec. 2, Art. II, of this Part, which Commissioners shall be Masters or Wardens, and shall be selected from at least three different Lodges not interested in the controversy and most convenient to the parties; and the accused party shall be summoned, with such time to answer as provided in the section and article last quoted.

SEC. 3. The Commissioners shall have power to proceed, and shall keep a record of their proceedings and judgment, in the same manner as provided in Art. II of this Part. The penalties which they may inflict may be any known to Masonic usage; or, if the case be one not involving a violation of Masonic duty, the decision may be such special one as the circumstances shall, in their judgment, warrant.

SEC. 4. An appeal may be taken by either party to the Grand Lodge, as provided in Sec. 9, Art. II, of this Part.

ARTICLE IV.

RELATIVE TO MASONS INDIVIDUALLY.

SECTION 1. When any member of a Lodge, (except its Master or the Grand Master,) or any Mason residing within its jurisdiction, shall be accused of unmasonic conduct, charges to that effect may be preferred by any Master Mason in good standing; which charges shall be in writing over his signature, and shall be presented to the Master of the Lodge having jurisdiction thereof.

SEC. 2. Upon the presentation of such charges it shall be the duty of the Master, by due notification, to call a special meeting of his Lodge as soon as practicable, and there cause to be elected, by ballot and by a majority of those present, not less than seven nor more than nine of its members, who shall assemble as Commissioners to hear and determine thereupon, at such time and place, convenient to the parties, as he shall indicate; and he shall also summon the accused to appear and answer thereunto at such time and place, and shall, at the same time, cause the Secretary to furnish him with a copy of the charges and to notify the accuser of the said time and place of trial.

SEC. 3. If the accused be within the jurisdiction of the Lodge, the summons and copy of the charges shall be issued at least ten days prior to the day appointed for the trial, and shall be served personally by the Tyler or some other member of the Lodge authorized by the Master for that purpose, or shall be left at his ordinary residence or place of business. If he be without the said jurisdiction, but within the State, and his residence be known, they shall be issued at least thirty days before the day of trial, and shall be forwarded to his address by the Secretary, by mail or other usual mode of conveyance, which shall be deemed sufficient service. If he be without the State, and his residence be known, they shall be issued at least ninety days before the trial, and shall be forwarded to his address by the Secretary, as before provided, which shall be sufficient service. If his address be unknown, the Master shall order the trial to proceed at once upon the testimony, *ex parte*.

SEC. 4. The Commissioners shall assemble at the time and place appointed and shall be presided over by the Master, who shall decide all questions of Masonic law which may arise during the trial, but shall have no vote in the final decision of the case by the Commissioners; and the Secretary, or, in his absence, some other member of the Lodge appointed for the purpose by the Master, shall attend them to keep a full and correct record of the proceedings and of the judgment, under their supervision.

SEC. 5. The Master shall, at the request of either party, summon such witnesses as are Masons, residing within the jurisdiction of his Lodge, to appear and testify before the Commission. Whenever the attendance of a witness, who is a Mason and who resides without the jurisdiction of the Lodge in which the trial is had, can not be procured, his testimony may be taken before the Master of the Lodge within whose jurisdiction he resides, upon such notice to the adverse party as the Master of the Lodge in which the trial is to be had shall fix, and the attendance of such witness may be compelled by summons. His testimony shall be reduced to writing, signed by him, and authenticated by the certificate of the Master before whom it is taken,

under the seal of his Lodge. The testimony of witnesses who are not Masons shall be taken by deposition before some officer authorized by the laws of the State wherein he resides to administer oaths, and at such time and place and upon such notice to the adverse party as shall be designated by the Master, upon the application of the party desiring the testimony. Whenever the testimony of a witness residing out of this State is desired, it shall be taken upon interrogatories, direct and cross, agreed upon by the parties or settled by the Master. Witnesses who are Masons in good standing shall testify upon their honor as such; and all others shall testify under oath or affirmation.

SEC. 6. Any Master Mason in good standing may, at the request of the accuser or the accused, appear as his counsel and assist in the prosecution or defense.

SEC. 7. The Commissioners may adjourn from time to time, at their own convenience or for sufficient cause shown by either party; provided that the period within which their duties shall be concluded shall not exceed ten days, unless, for good reasons shown, the Master shall grant them further time.

SEC. 8. After all the testimony shall have been received, the Commissioners shall proceed to deliberate upon their verdict and sentence, with none present save themselves, the Master, and the Secretary, which last shall have no voice in the proceedings. The judgment of a majority of all the Commissioners shall be taken as the decision of the whole; and, when the trial is concluded, the Secretary shall make a fair copy of the record and finding, under their supervision, which shall be signed by the Commissioners, attested by the Secretary, and presented to the Master, who, at the next meeting of his Lodge, shall, in the presence of its members only, announce the result, and direct the Secretary to record the same as the judgment of the Lodge and file the record for safe keeping among its archives.

SEC. 9. The penalties which may be inflicted are reprimand in open Lodge, suspension, or expulsion. If the sentence be reprimand, the Master shall summon the adjudged to appear at the next stated meeting, when it shall be carried into effect in the presence only of members of the Lodge. If it be suspension or expulsion, it shall at once go into effect, and the Secretary shall immediately notify the person suspended or expelled and the Grand Secretary thereof.

SEC. 10. An appeal may be taken to the Grand Lodge by either party at its next succeeding Annual Communication, but not unless a notice of such intended appeal shall be given to the Master, in writing, within thirty days after his announcement of the result of the trial. In all appealed cases, and in all cases of expulsion or suspension, whether appealed or not, the Master shall cause the Secretary to prepare a transcript of the record of trial, and immediately transmit it to the Grand Secretary, together with information of the appeal intended, if any there be.

ARTICLE V.

OF REVISIONS, REVERSALS, AND RESTORATIONS.

SECTION 1. All transcripts of trial-records, required to be transmitted to the Grand Secretary, shall by him be forwarded to the Committee on Grievances, who shall examine them, with such additional evidence in writing, if any, as may be presented, and shall report thereon at the next succeeding Annual Communication; and upon such report the Grand Lodge may affirm, modify, or reverse the judgment of the Lodge, or may make such other order relative thereto as shall be deemed proper.

SEC. 2. Whenever a judgment of suspension or expulsion shall be reversed and set aside by the Grand Lodge, the brother who had been suspended or expelled shall be at once again entitled to all his rights and privileges as a member of the Lodge.

SEC. 3. All sentences of suspension shall be for an indefinite period; and a Lodge may, at any stated meeting, by the votes of two thirds of the members present, annul any such sentence of suspension pronounced by itself, and restore the Ma-

son thus suspended to all his Masonic rights and privileges; provided that notice of a resolution for such restoration shall have been given at the stated meeting next preceding. And, in case of such restoration, the Secretary shall at once notify the restored party and the Grand Secretary thereof.

SEC. 4. The Grand Lodge may, at any Annual Communication, if good cause therefor be shown and proof be given of the notice hereinafter prescribed, restore to the rights and privileges of Masonry any Mason who has been suspended or expelled within its jurisdiction; but such restoration shall not restore him to membership in the Lodge by which he was suspended or expelled.

SEC. 5. Whenever any Mason, suspended for unmasonic conduct, desires to petition the Grand Lodge for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry, he shall first make application for such restoration to the Lodge by which he was suspended, if it still be in existence. If his application be there refused, it may then be made to the Grand Lodge, provided that notice, in writing, be given to the Lodge of such intended application, not less than forty days preceding the Annual Communication.

SEC. 6. Whenever any expelled Mason desires to petition the Grand Lodge for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry, he shall, in writing, notify the Lodge which expelled him, if it still be in existence, of his intention so to do, at least sixty days before the Annual Communication at which his petition is to be presented, accompanying said notice with a copy of such intended petition; and before said petition shall be considered by the Grand Lodge, proof of the giving said notice to the Lodge shall be furnished.

SEC. 7. Whenever any Lodge desires to petition the Grand Lodge for the restoration of an expelled Mason to the rights and privileges of Masonry, the Master thereof shall give due notice to all the members of his Lodge, so far as practicable, of such intended action and of the stated meeting at which it will be had; and at such meeting he shall cause to be recorded the fact that such notice was thus duly given. The votes of two thirds of the members present shall be required to authorize the presentation of such petition to the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 8. Non-affiliated Masons who, under the provisions of Sec. 1, Art. II, Part V, are deemed to occupy the same position as those suspended for non-payment of dues, and who desire to restore themselves by affiliation, may do so upon payment of a sum equivalent to six months' dues of the Lodge to which they shall apply, in addition to the affiliation fee, if any, required by its by-laws; or, if they desire to restore themselves by contribution, they shall pay a sum equivalent to the amount of the regular dues of the Lodge within whose jurisdiction they reside, during the whole period of such residence, and shall continue so to pay unless sickness or inability be shown to the Lodge as the reason for such non-affiliation or non-payment.

SEC. 9. No suspension, expulsion, or restoration shall be published otherwise than as hereinbefore provided, except by authority of the Grand Lodge or by order of the Grand Master.

PART VII.

Of Amendments, Definitions, and Forms.

ARTICLE I.

OF AMENDMENTS.

SECTION 1. Any proposed amendment to this Constitution shall be presented at an Annual Communication and shall in all cases be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who shall report before a vote thereon be taken.

SEC. 2. Upon the report of said committee, if five sixths of the votes shall be in favor of such proposed amendment, it shall be declared adopted; and from and after the close of that Communication shall become a part of the Constitution.

SEC. 3. If the vote in favor of such proposed amendment be less than that named in the preceding section, but there be a majority therefor, it shall lie over for one year, and shall be published with "the proceedings, under the caption of "Proposed Amendment to the Constitution;" and if, at the next succeeding Annual Communication, it shall receive two thirds of the votes given thereon, it shall be declared adopted, and, from and after the close of that Communication, shall become a part of the Constitution.

SEC. 4. No vote upon a proposed amendment shall be taken after the election of the Grand Officers.

SEC. 5. All former written Constitutions of this Grand Lodge are hereby repealed, as are also all Regulations, or parts thereof, which are repugnant to or inconsistent with this Constitution; and no Regulation shall hereafter be adopted which shall be in violation of or inconsistent with any of its provisions.

ARTICLE II.

OF DEFINITIONS.

The words and terms used in this Constitution shall bear the construction which is given them in the following definitions:—

GRAND MASTER.—This title applies, not only to him who has been elected and installed as Grand Master, but to either of the Grand Officers who, under the provisions of Art. II, Part II, of this Constitution, shall have succeeded to the powers and duties of the Grand Master.

MASTER.—This title applies, not only to him who has been elected and installed as Master, but to either of the Wardens who, under the provisions of Art. III, Part IV, of this Constitution, shall have succeeded to the powers and duties of the Master.

PAST GRAND OFFICER.—This title applies only to one of the six elective Grand Officers who has been regularly elected and installed, and has served his term as such in this Grand Lodge, and who remains a member, in good standing, of some Lodge under its jurisdiction.

PAST MASTER.—This title applies only to one who has been regularly elected or named in a charter and installed, and has served a term as Master of a chartered Lodge within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, and who remains a member, in good standing, of one of its subordinates.

REPRESENTATIVE.—The representative of a Lodge within this State is one who, being a member thereof, in the event that neither the Master nor either of the Wardens can be present at the Grand Lodge, has been elected by the Lodge at a stated meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose, by ballot, and by a majority of the votes present, to represent it at the next Communication. A Lodge without the State may be represented by a member of any Lodge under this jurisdiction, elected as before prescribed.

VACANCY.—Vacancies in office, either in a Lodge or in the Grand Lodge, may occur by death, deprivation, resignation, removal from the jurisdiction, suspension, or expulsion.

JURISDICTION.—The jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge includes all Lodges and Masons within the territorial limits of this State, and all Lodges and their members without this State, acting under its authority.

The jurisdiction of a Lodge includes all its own members, wherever residing, and all Masons residing nearer to its place of meeting than to that of any other Lodge within this State, except in towns or cities where more than one Lodge exists, in which case each of such Lodges has separate jurisdiction over its own members, and

concurrent jurisdiction over all Masons, not members of one of such Lodges, who reside in such town or city, or nearer thereto than to any other place where a Lodge exists.

REGULATION.—By a regulation of the Grand Lodge is meant any resolution, edict, law, or ordinance of any kind whatever, other than the Constitution, which it may adopt.

SUSPENSION.—The suspension of a Lodge is an arrest of its charter and a temporary prohibition to assemble or work as a legal Lodge, until again authorized so to do by competent authority; and the act suspends all its members except those especially exempted from its effect.

The suspension of the Master of a Lodge is a temporary deprivation of his office and prohibits all recognition of him in that capacity until he be restored by competent authority.

The suspension of a Mason is a temporary deprivation of all his rights and privileges as such, and prohibits all Masons and Lodges from holding any Masonic intercourse with him until he shall be legally restored in the manner hereinbefore prescribed.

EXPULSION.—The expulsion of a Mason is the highest penalty known to the Masonic law. It is an absolute deprivation of all the rights and privileges of the Order, and prohibits all Masons and Lodges from holding any Masonic intercourse with him forever, unless he be restored by the Grand Lodge.

NOTIFICATION.—A notification, or notice, is a call issued by the Secretary, by order of the Lodge or Master, or by other competent authority as hereinbefore provided, to attend for some specific purpose at the time and place therein indicated, or to perform some specific duty therein set forth; and it is the duty of every Mason to comply with its direction if he can, without great inconvenience, do so. It shall be either written or printed, and shall, when practicable, be personally served upon the brother to be notified by a Tyler or some other Mason properly deputed for the purpose. If this cannot conveniently be done, it shall be left at the residence or usual place of business of such brother, or, if such residence or place of business is distant or unknown, it may be placed in the Post-office, addressed to him at his last known place of residence; and this shall be deemed due and sufficient service.

SUMMONS.—A summons is an imperative order, issued by the Master or by other competent authority as hereinbefore provided, to appear at such time and place as may therein be designated. The obligation to obey it is absolute and the penalty for disobedience shall be expulsion, unless it shall be shown that such disobedience was unavoidable or was occasioned by some pressing necessity.

STATED MEETING.—The stated meeting of a Lodge is the one only meeting in each lunar month at which business may be done, with the exceptions specified in Sec. 2, Art. II, Part III. It shall be designated as such in the by-laws of each Lodge, and no adjourned or called meeting shall ever be considered as a part of such stated meeting.

ARTICLE III.

OF FORMS FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

Certificate for a Diploma for a Master Mason.

.....Lodge, No....., F. and A. M., }
A. L. 58..... }

To the Very Worshipful.....,

Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of California:—

I hereby certify that Brother..... is a Master Mason and a member of this Lodge, in good standing: and as such he is hereby recommended for a Grand Lodge Diploma, upon payment of the usual fees.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Lodge aforesaid, at the

[Seal.] date above written.

....., Secretary.

Certificate for Diploma for benefit of family of a deceased Brother.

.....Lodge, No., F. and A. M., }
A. L. 58..... }

To the Very Worshipful.....,

Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of California:—

I hereby certify that Brother....., who died at....., on the....day of....., A. L. 58., was, at the date of his decease, a Master Mason and a member of this Lodge, in good standing; and that he left (*here insert "a widow," "a child," or "children," or any of them, as the case may be,*) for whose benefit a Grand Lodge Diploma is desired.

Given by order of our Lodge aforesaid, at the date first above

[Seal.] written, as witness my hand and the seal thereof.

....., Secretary.

Petition for a Dispensation to form a new Lodge.

To the Most Worshipful.....,

Grand Master of Masons in California:—

The petition of the undersigned respectfully represents that they are Master Masons in good standing; that they were last members of the respective Lodges named opposite their several signatures hereunto, as will appear from the dimit of each of the petitioners, herewith transmitted; that they reside in or near the..... of....., in the county of....., in the State of California; that among them are a sufficient number of brethren well qualified to open and hold a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, and to discharge all its various duties in the three degrees of Ancient Masonry, in accordance with established usage; and that, having the prosperity of the Craft at heart, and being desirous to use their best endeavors for the diffusion of its beneficent principles, they pray for a Dispensation empowering them to form, open, and hold a regular Lodge, at the.....of....., aforesaid, to be called.....Lodge.

They have nominated and respectfully recommend Brother..... as the first Master, Brother..... as the first Senior Warden, and Brother..... as the first Junior Warden of the said Lodge, they being each, in all respects, competent to perform all the duties of either of the stations for which they are severally proposed; and, if the prayer of the petitioners be granted, they promise in all things strict obedience to the commands of the Grand Master, and undeviating conformity to the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge.

Dated at....., on the day of....., A. L. 58..

*Signatures.	Name and No. of Lodge.	State or Country.

Recommendation of a Petition for the formation of a new Lodge.

.....Lodge, No., F. and A. M., }
A. L. 58..... }

To the Most Worshipful.....,

Grand Master of Masons in California:—

At a stated meeting of this Lodge, held at the date above written, the following preamble and resolution were adopted:—

"Whereas, a petition for the issue of a Dispensation to form and open a new Lodge at....., in the county of....., has been presented to this Lodge

* These signatures must give all the names of each petitioner in full.

for its recommendation; *And Whereas*, it is known to this Lodge that the signers to said petition, . . . in number, are all Master Masons in good standing, and that a safe and suitable Lodge-room has been provided by them for their meetings; it is

“*Resolved*, That the establishment of said new Lodge is of manifest propriety and will conduce to the good of the Order; and that this Lodge recommends to the Grand Master the granting of the Dispensation prayed for in said petition.”

A true copy from the minutes.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
[Seal.] seal of our Lodge aforesaid, at the date above written.

....., Secretary.

Certificate of Qualification of Officers proposed for a new Lodge.

To the Most Worshipful.....,

Grand Master of Masons in California:—

The petition of . . . brethren, residing at the . . . of . . . , in the county of . . . , praying the Grand Master for a Dispensation to open and hold a new Lodge at said . . . , to be called . . . Lodge, having been presented to me; and Brothers . . . , and . . . , being recommended therein for nomination, respectively, as Master, Senior Warden, and Junior Warden of said proposed new Lodge; now I, . . . , Master of . . . Lodge, No. . . . , do hereby certify that, to my positive knowledge, each of said brethren is fully competent properly to confer the three degrees of Masonry and to deliver entire the several lectures thereunto appertaining.

Given at . . . , in the county of . . . , this . . . day of . . . ,
A. L. 58. . .

....., Master.

Petition for a Charter.

To the M. . W. . Grand Lodge of California:—

The undersigned respectfully represent that on the . . . day of . . . , A. L. 58. . . , a Dispensation was issued by the Grand Master for the formation of a new Lodge at . . . , in the county of . . . , by the name of . . . Lodge; that on the . . . day of . . . , next ensuing, said Lodge was opened and organized, and has since continued successfully to work during the period named in said Dispensation, as will appear from its records, by-laws, and returns, herewith presented; and that it is the anxious desire of the members of said Lodge that its existence be perpetuated.

They therefore pray that a Charter be granted to said Lodge, by the name of . . . Lodge, with such number as the usage of the Grand Lodge may assign it; and recommend that Brother . . . be named therein as Master, Brother . . . as Senior Warden, and Brother . . . as Junior Warden; promising, as heretofore, strict obedience to the commands of the Grand Master and undeviating conformity to the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge.

Given by instruction from and on behalf of said Lodge, at . . . , this . . . day of . . . , A. L. 58. . .

..... }
..... } Delegates.
..... }

Notice of Rejections, Suspensions, Expulsions, and Restorations.

..... Lodge, No. . . . , F. and A. M., }
..... A. L. 58. . . }

To the Very Worshipful.....,

Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of California:—

I hereby certify that, at a stated meeting of this Lodge, held at the date above written, the petition of . . . , an applicant for the degrees of Masonry, was rejected.

(Or, I hereby certify that, at a stated meeting of this Lodge, held at the date above written, Bro....., after due notice as prescribed in the Constitution, was declared to be suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, for non-payment of dues.)

(Or, I hereby certify that, at a stated meeting of this Lodge, held at the date above written, Bro....., after due trial in the manner prescribed in the Constitution, was declared to be suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, for unmasonic conduct.)

(Or, I hereby certify that, at a stated meeting of this Lodge, held at the date above written, Bro....., after due trial in the manner prescribed in the Constitution, was declared to be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, for unmasonic conduct.)

(Or, I hereby certify that, at a stated meeting of this Lodge, held at the date above written, Bro....., heretofore by it suspended for non-payment of dues, having paid up (or received a remission of) all arrearages, as provided in the Constitution, resumed his rights and privileges as a Mason and as a member of this Lodge.)

(Or, I hereby certify that, at a stated meeting of this Lodge, held at the date above written, Bro....., heretofore by it suspended for unmasonic conduct, was, by a two-thirds vote, in the manner prescribed in the Constitution, restored to all his rights and privileges as a Mason and as a member of this Lodge.)

Given under my hand and the seal of our Lodge aforesaid.

[Seal.]

....., Secretary.

Notice of Special Meeting to elect Trial-Commissioners.

..... Lodge, No....., F. and A. M., }
..... A. L. 58.... }

Bro.....,

You are hereby notified to attend a special meeting of this Lodge, to be holden on the..... day of....., A. L. 58...., at.... o'clock,.... M., for the purpose of electing Commissioners to try a brother upon a charge of unmasonic conduct preferred against him by a Master Mason in good standing.

By order of the Master, as witness my signature and the seal of our Lodge.

[Seal.]

....., Secretary.

**Certificate of Withdrawal without Recommendation.*

To all whom it may concern:—

This is to certify that Brother....., heretofore a member of our..... Lodge, No....., F. and A. M., under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the State of California, has paid his dues in full and has this day withdrawn from membership in said Lodge.

Given at the Hall of our Lodge aforesaid, at....., in the county of
[Seal.], State of California, this.... day of....., A. L. 58., as witness
my hand, the seal of our Lodge, and the attestation of our Secretary.

....., Master.

Attest, ..., Secretary.

* This, not being a "recommendatory certificate," will not entitle the holder to apply for affiliation to any Lodge in this jurisdiction.

Credential for a Representative elected by a Lodge.

.....Lodge, No....., F. and A. M., }
A. L. 58..... }

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of California:—

This is to certify that, at a.....meeting of this Lodge, held at the date above written, it having been made known that neither the Master nor either of the Wardens thereof would be enabled to attend the Grand Lodge at its next Annual Communication, Bro....., a member of the Lodge, was, by ballot, duly elected to serve as its Representative during said Communication.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and have
 [Seal.] caused the Secretary to affix the seal of our Lodge, with his attestation, at the date above written.

....., Master,
 Secretary.

Petition for the Degrees of Masonry.

To the Worshipful Master, the Wardens, and Members of

.....Lodge, No....., F. and A. M.:—

The undersigned respectfully represents that, unbiased by friends and uninfluenced by mercenary motives, he freely and voluntarily offers himself as a candidate for the mysteries of Masonry; that he is prompted to solicit this privilege by a favorable opinion conceived of the institution, a desire for knowledge, and a sincere wish to be serviceable to his fellow creatures; that he has resided in the State of California more than one year, and at the place below named more than six months, next preceding the date hereof; that he has not, within twelve months past, been rejected by any Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons; and that he promises, if found worthy, to conform to all the ancient usages and regulations of the Fraternity.

His place of residence is....., his age,..... years,
 and his occupation,.....

(Date,)....., A. L. 58..

*(Signature,).....

Recommended by Bros. { (To be members of the Lodge.)
 {
 {

Application for Affiliation.

To the Worshipful Master, the Wardens, and Brethren of

.....Lodge, No....., F. and A. M.:—

The undersigned respectfully represents that he is a Master Mason, in good standing; that he was last a member of.....Lodge, No....., in the.....of....., from which he has honorably withdrawn, as by the accompanying certificate will appear; and that he now desires, if found worthy, to become a member of your Lodge.

His place of residence is....., his age,..... years,
 and his occupation,.....

(Date,)....., A. L. 58..

*(Signature,).....

Recommended by Bros. { (To be members of the Lodge.)
 {
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Certificate of Election, Appointment, and Installation of Officers.

.....Lodge, No., F. and A. M. }
 , A. L. 58.. }

To the Very Worshipful..... ,

Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of California:—

I hereby certify that, at the stated meeting of this Lodge held on the day above written, it being that next preceding the anniversary of St. John the Evangelist, the following officers were duly elected for the ensuing Masonic year, viz.:—

Bro., Master,
 Bro., Sen. Warden,
 Bro., Jun. Warden,
 Bro., Treasurer, and
 Bro., Secretary;

That, on the....day of....., A. L. 58., the following officers were duly appointed to serve for the ensuing Masonic year, viz.:—

Bro., *Chaplain,
 Bro., Sen. Deacon,
 Bro., Jun. Deacon,
 Bro., *Marshal,
 Bro. } *Stewards, and
 Bro. }
 Bro., Tyler;

And that, on the....day of.....A. L. 58., the said officers were duly installed by (*here give the name and Masonic title of the installing officer.*)

Given under my hand and the seal of our Lodge, on the day last

[Seal.] above written.

....., Secretary.

Recommendatory Certificate of Withdrawal. (Dimit.)

To all Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons,

Wheresoever dispersed around the Globe, GREETING:—

This is to certify that Brother....., whose signature appears in the margin hereof, is a Master Mason in good standing, and was, until this date, a member of our.....Lodge, No., F. and A. M., under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the State of California. Having paid all dues, and being in good fellowship with the brethren, he has voluntarily withdrawn from our said Lodge; and now, by its order, receives this certificate, recommending him to the friendship and good will of the Fraternity wherever he may be.

Given at the Hall of our Lodge aforesaid, at.....,
 in the county of, in the State of California, this....
 day of....., A. L. 58., as witness my hand, the seal of our
 Lodge, and the attestation of our Secretary.

[Seal.]

.....,
 Master.

Attest,.....

Secretary.

Signature.....

* The Constitution does not make the appointment of these officers obligatory, but permits the by-laws of Lodges to authorize it.

GENERAL REGULATIONS,

AS REMAINING AFTER THE REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION

In October, 1874.

1. This Grand Lodge recognizes no *degree* of Past Master conferred by any authority not holden under a legitimate Grand Lodge—acknowledging only the *Order* of that name as it exists in the ceremonies attending the installation of the Master elect of a chartered Lodge; which Order shall be conferred only by a convocation of Masters or Past Masters, not less than three in number, who have thus regularly received it.

2. All Masonic communication between the Lodges and Masons of this jurisdiction and those acknowledging allegiance to the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, is hereby forbidden, while that body shall continue its unlawful and reprehensible invasion of the jurisdictional rights of the Grand Lodge of New York.

3. Such standard of revenue shall be continued hereafter as will afford an annual excess over the current expenditures of at least one thousand dollars; which excess shall each year be set aside, as an accumulating fund, to be known as the Reserve Fund, which shall be kept and increased for purposes of emergency, and shall only be drawn upon therefor. At each Annual Communication, a Board of Trustees, three in number, shall be elected, whose duty it shall be judiciously to invest all moneys set aside for such fund and all moneys accruing from the interest on such investments; and each member of said Board shall execute and file in the office of the Grand Secretary, a bond in the penal sum of \$5000, to be approved by the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary, conditioned that he will faithfully perform the duties of his trust.

4. No Lodge under this jurisdiction shall be allowed to transact business, other than the conferring of degrees, with a less number than seven members present.

5. The Grand Secretary is authorized to charge the sum of one dollar, for the use of the Grand Lodge, for each copy of its printed proceedings for the current year, other than the four copies to be sent to each subordinate Lodge, and those required for transmission abroad, for future binding, and for the use of the Grand Lodge at its next succeeding Annual Communication.

6. All Masons, heretofore stricken from the rolls of Lodges within this jurisdiction for non-payment of dues, who have not been reinstated, are hereby declared to be suspended, as provided in Sec. 11, Art. III, Part III, of the Constitution.

7. In addition to the dues prescribed in the Constitution, there shall be levied hereafter upon the subordinate Lodges, for each Master Mason whose name is borne upon their rolls at the date of the annual returns, such sum as the Grand Lodge shall prescribe at each Annual Communication, which shall constitute a special fund to be denominated "The Representative Fund;" and it shall be the duty of the several Lodges to pay the said sum at the time and in the manner directed in the Constitution for the payment of their annual dues.

8. At the close of each Annual Communication, a committee, to be known as the "Committee on Pay of Members" and to consist of five, shall be appointed by the Grand Master, whose duty it shall be to ascertain, during the year succeeding, the exact cost of transportation for one person from the location of each Lodge in the State to the place of meeting of the Grand Lodge and back again; and, at the following Annual Communication, to report such cost of transportation as the sum due to the officers or representative in attendance from each chartered Lodge, which sum shall be paid by the Grand Treasurer, such report being his voucher therefor. But no payment shall be allowed for the officers or representative of any Lodge, the dues of which shall not have been paid in full.

9. The appointed Grand Officers and the chairmen of standing committees shall receive payment for their necessary expenditures for transportation to and from each Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, in the same manner as ordered for the officers or representatives of Lodges; but no Grand Officer, chairman, or officer or representative of a Lodge, shall receive such payment in more than one of those capacities, nor shall he receive it unless he shall have been in attendance at such Communication from the first to the last day thereof, inclusive, unless excused by the Grand Lodge.

10. The work and lectures presented by the committee appointed for their examination and revision, are approved, adopted, and made obligatory upon all Lodges within this jurisdiction; and any Lodge which shall have had opportunity to obtain instruction therein, and shall neglect or refuse to learn and use the same, shall, upon representation of that fact to the Grand Master, be liable to the arrest of its charter, if, in his discretion, he shall think it proper.

11. The person who desires to be made a Mason must be a man; no woman nor eunuch; free born, being neither a slave nor the son of a bond woman; a believer in God and a future existence; of moral conduct; capable of reading and writing; not deformed or dismembered, but hale and sound in his physical conformation, having his right limbs as a man ought to have; and able to conform literally to what the several degrees respectively require of him.

12. No Lodge under this jurisdiction, located beyond the limits of this State, shall receive any allowance for the expenses of a representative to this Grand Lodge; nor shall any such Lodge be chargeable with dues on account of the Representative Fund.

13. All Masonic intercourse between this Grand Lodge and the Grand Orient of France is hereby suspended, and the Lodges and Masons of this jurisdiction are forbidden to recognize or hold communication with any brother who hails from or acknowledges allegiance to the Grand Orient of France, so long as that body continues its unlawful and reprehensible invasion of the jurisdictional rights of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana.

14. Each Lodge within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, so far as it is able so to do, shall see that the needy of its own membership and neighborhood are not made a burden to others.

15. The Grand Master shall appoint for each district an officer, to be called Inspector, who shall be a resident of the district for which he is appointed, and whose duty it shall be to visit annually (and oftener if desired by any Lodge,) each Lodge in his district; to inspect the work and, if necessary, correct the same in accordance with the work as adopted by this Grand Lodge; and to report the working condition of each Lodge in his district to the Grand Lecturer, on or before the first day of September in each year: and further, to examine the records and all the books of each Lodge and the manner of transacting its business with reference to its conformity to our Constitution and Regulations, and report thereon to the Grand Master at the same time. Each Lodge shall pay such necessary expenses of the Inspector as may be incurred in performing the duties of the visitation herein required.

16. No Master of a Lodge shall be installed until he shall have produced to the installing officer the certificate of the Grand Lecturer, or of the Inspector of the district in which such Lodge is situated, that he is qualified to give the work and lectures entire in the three degrees; and such certificate, indorsed by the installing officer, shall be forwarded by him to the Grand Lecturer, to be kept on file in his office.

17. Whenever an appeal shall be taken from the judgment of a subordinate Lodge upon the report of trial-commissioners, any and all additional evidence, which either the accuser or accused shall desire to have heard on the appeal, shall be taken and reduced to writing within sixty days from the day on which the announcement of the result of the trial shall be made by the Master to the Lodge, and all arguments and representations which it is desired to have considered on the appeal shall also be reduced to writing; and no additional evidence, arguments, or representations shall be considered on the appeal unless the same shall be reduced to writing and transmitted to the Grand Secretary at least sixty days before the commencement of the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

RETURNS

OF THE

SUBORDINATE LODGES

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF CALIFORNIA,

For the year to August 1st, A. L. 5878.

CALIFORNIA LODGE, No. 1.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Franklin Henry Day, <i>Master,</i>	George Dietterle, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
George Johnson, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Michael Ryan, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Alison Van Denburgh, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Abraham Halsey, <i>Marshal, *</i>
Arthur Simison Peterson, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Edgar Wilson Dalbey, } <i>Stewards,</i>
George Tuttle Grimes, <i>Secretary,</i>	Thomas Henry Dowling, }
Henry Cox, <i>Chaplain,</i>	Ira Colburn Root, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Rector Elisha Cole,	Henry Sumner Smith,	William Thomas Fonda,
Alexander Gurdon Abell,	Jesse Combes Reed,	Edward Engle Eyre,
William Henry Lyon,	Charles Josephus Prescott,	George Tisdale Bromley,
William Mason Rundell,	Franklin Henry Day,	Jonathan Drake Stevenson,
William Thomas Reynolds,	William Wilson Traylor,	William Jeffray,
George Tuttle Grimes,	William Austin Holcomb,	Edward Waterman Roberts,
John McComb,	Geo. Isaac Nicoll Monell,	Marvin Ham. De Lamater,
John Francis Snow,	Isaac Stanwood Locke,	Horace Halsey Hubbard.
Morris March Estee,		

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, James	Badlam, Alexander	Bjorkman, August
Ager, John Edward	Banfield, John Francis	Blake, Charles Edward
Ahlers, John Diedrich	Barrington, George	Blake, Henry Herbert
Ahlgren, Charles Frederick	Baugh, Theodore Elliott	Blinn, Cyrus Alphonso
Allen, William Henry	Bechtinger, Joseph	Blythe, Thomas Henry
Anderson, David Christian	Beckford, Daniel Rogers	Bowman, John Schmerl
Askew, Daniel	Berry, Fulton Green	Boyd, Thomas Washington
Athearn, Chas. Grandison	Bilty, Theodore George	Bradbury, Alfred William

Bradrick, Isaac	Donnelly, John William	Hill, Isaac Leroy
Bragg, Robert	Dow, Nehemiah Getchell	Hilton, Joseph Henry
Bray, John	Duncan, James Ransom	Hitchcock, Charles McFail
Brett, John Robinson	Duncan, James Wesley	Hodge, John Graham
Brice, William	Dwinelle, Samuel Hall	Hoffman, Ogden
Bridge, William Edward	Eastman, Frank	Hotaling, Anson Parsons
Brigham, Calvin Oaks	Eddy, James Jeffrey	Howard, Charles Webb
Brittan, Nathaniel Jones	Edwards, Justus Huff	Howard, Horace Zerah
Brodhun, Charles	Elliot Charles Emery	Howe, George Washington
Brooks, Charles Wolcott	Elliot, Gardner	Hubbard, Samuel
Brooks, Norman Cromwell	Elliot, John P.	Huff, Abram
Brown, Roland Gair	Elliot, Washington	Hunt, Henry Brown
Brumagim, Mark	Emerson, Sylvester	Hunt, Henry Osgood
Bruner, Wm. Happersatt	Engert, Alex. Francis Chas.	Hurley, John
Bryding, Peter	Ewell, Luther Jerome	Hutton, Harry Percy Wm.
Buckbee, Charles Alvah	Farish, Thomas Edwin	Irwin, James
Buffington, John Mason	Farnam, Edward	Jacobs, William
Buker, Livy Kais	Farquharson, David	Jacoby, Julius Herman
Bullivant, Herbert Ellis	Farrell, Edward	Johnston, William
Bunker, Paul	Farwell, William Havard	Jones, Cyrus Winship
Burke, Martin John	Field, Silas Columbus	Jones, William Price
Callaghan, Charles	Finck, Julius	Julian, John
Carson, Thomas	Fish, Edward Nye	Kaeding, Chas. Van Buren
Chapin, Dinsmore Davis	Foot, Henry Duquesnet	Keely, Austin
Childs, George	Foster, Ninian Frederick	Keith, William Henry
Chipman, Holmes Samuel	Franetta, John	Kellett, Samuel
Christy, Robert Francis	Frapolli, Battista	Kelso, John
Churchill, Clark	Fraser, Hugh	Kennedy, Frank
Clary, William Henry	Gabbs, Albert Steph. Isaiah	Kimball, Moses Coombe
Classen, James Milton	Garnett, Louis Anacharsis	King, Joseph Libbey
Clay, Frederick	Garniss, James Rogers	Klepzig, John Christ. Erhart
Cleary, Thomas Petingale	Gayle, Andrew Bowers	Kohler, Henry
Colbourn, Richard	George, Henry Allen	Kuh, Leopold
Colvin, Hugh	Gerke, Henry	Kurtz, John
Conner, John William	Gibbs, Josiah Hobbs	Laird, David White
Cook, Eli	Gile, Edwin Tuttle	Lamb, Thomas Jackson
Cordes, Claus Henry	Good, John	Lampe, William Auguste
Crawford, Andrew	Goodrum, George	Landers, John
Crossman, James Haskell	Gove, Andrew Jackson	Lane, William Edmund
Cummings, Walter Bailey	Gray, Robert Brockhouse	Larseneur, Louis
Cummings, William Clegg	Gray, William	Lazzerevich, Giovanni
Curtis, William Fontes	Grossetta, Martin	Lemman, Thomas
Dalton, Franklin	Hall, Edward Fitch, Jr.	Lewis, Oscar
Daugherty, William Henry	Hall, Robert	Litchfield, Joseph Miller
Davis, Isaac Elphinstone	Hanscom, William Wallace	Loane, Simeon Marion
Davis, Jacob Zeigler	Harbourne, John Wesley	Loring, Francis Morton
Davis, Milo Smith	Harding, John	Ludlum, Cornelius
Davis, Solomon	Harrington, John Conly	Lusk, Albert
Davis, Solon Hastings	Harrold, John	Malmgren, Niles Peter
Dean, Peter	Haven, Charles Dwight	Mann, Azro Levi
DeNoon, Robert Patterson	Haynes, John William	Marsh, Andrew Jackson
Deweese, Cornelius, Jr.	Hely, John Raymond	Marshutz, Leon Charles
Dewey, William Pierce	Hentrich, Franz Ludwig	Martin, Minor Silas
Dippel, William Gustav	Heywood, William Brewer	Marye, George Thomas, Jr.

Mau, Henry Albert	Reynolds, Frank Bailey	Suskind, Ernst
McArthur, John Andrew	Reynolds, Leonard	Sutton, Owen Paul
McCullough, Hy.V. Schaick	Robbins, Charles Frederick	Swift, James Fliteroft
McIntosh, Isaac Robins	Roberts, Stephen Neal	Swift, John Franklin
McKenzie, William	Root, Datus Ensign	Taylor, Charles Little
McLane, George Milligan	Rowell, Leonard Freeland	Taylor, Edward
McNear, Geo. Washington	Rulofson, Wm. Harmanas	Taylor, John
McNulty, Charles Augustus	Russ, Henry Beauchamp	Thomas, Thomas
McNulty, James Madison	Russell, Monson	Thomson, John
Meaburn, John James	Sanborn, Albion Irving	Thompson, Lucius
Mikkelsen, Rasmus	Saulmann, August	Thrall, Henry Homer
Miller, James Franklin	Savary, Edward	Tiffany, Robert Joyce
Miller, William J.	Sawyer, Ethan Allen	Tilton, Charles Stephen
Milling, William	Scalmanini, Carlo	Tingman, John Henry
Mohrhardt, Philip Frederic	Shaw, James G	Tompkins, Minthorne Mort.
More, Samuel	Shaw, Stephen William	Trask, Freeman
Morgan, John Stillwell	Shiels, William	Tbbs, Hiram
Morrison, John Cramer	Simpson, James	Tucker, John
Morse, Amos Clark	Sinn, John George	Tuttle, Joseph
Morse, Ebenezer Eaton	Skidmore, Walter A.	Unger, Adolph
Muller, John	Smith, Ferdinand	Vaughn, Alphhnso Hyman
Myers, Michael Henry	Smith, James D.	Vizina, Charles
Neal, Charles Sanders	Spaulding, George	Waddell, William
Neal, William Waterman	Spratt, Joseph	Walker, James Greig
Nickerson, Charles	Spruance, John	Ward, Isaac Munson
Norris, William	Stadtfeld, Jacob	Waters, George Latham
Osgood, George	Stanley, Samuel Lewis	Watson, Samuel Butler
Otersen, Herman	Starbird, Albion Wilson	Weldon, Charles Pearce
Page, Benjamin Franklin	Stege, John Richard	Wells, Asa Reynolds
Parker, Edward Fletcher	Steinberger, John Adam	Wheaton, Milton Alverd
Payne, Warren Ritch	Stetson, William Wirt	Wheaton, William Rufus
Pendergast, James Albert	Stevens, William Emerson	White, Silas Ayres
Pendleton, Edwin Street	Stevenson, John	Wiebalk, Nicholas
Phillips, Nathan Fraser	Stewart, Alexander John	Williams, William Avery
Pierce, Owen	Stewart, Charles Alexander	Wilson, Charles
Plum, Charles Mortimer	Stone, Napoleon Bonaparte	Wilson, Charles Lincoln
Pond, James Louis	Stringer, William James	Wilson, Duncan Montrose
Potter, Francis Thompson	Sudden, Robert	Winans, Joseph Webb
Preston, John	Sullivan, Eugene Lemuel	Woodsum, Oliver Perry
Preston, Robert James	Sullivan, William Cobb	Young, James
Rasmussen, Peter	Sumner, William Brintnell	Zimmerman, John Andrew
Rey, Jacques Joseph		

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RESTORED:

Hubbard, Samuel

Loring, Simeon Morton—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Battersby, James	Hewston, George	Pendergast, Hy. Batterton
Bryan, Edward Hord	Ingersoll, George Seco	Pettis, William Henry
Cook, Napoleon Bonaparte	Lewis, Edwin	Schultze, Richard
Chamberlin, Romeo Milton	McKinstry, Ed. E. Williams	Smith, Wm. Curtis Randall
DePas, Charles Benjamin	Page, Robert Carter	Stirling, John Fred'k—16.
Favor, Kimbal		

DIED:

Best, William George
Howard, George Henry
Johnston, Baptist
Ladd, William Frank

Love, David Mantua
Melcher, James
Murray, Thomas
Roche, James Mullin

Vandewater, Wm. Henry
Winship, Thomas Jefferson
Wood, William Wood—11.

WESTERN STAR LODGE, No. 2.

Shasta, Shasta County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Clay Webster Taylor, <i>Master</i> ,	Joseph Pryor, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Drummond Blair, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Edwin Leland Baldwin, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Alexander Reid, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Ely Hopping, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Louis Wellendorff, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Everett French Crocker, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Adolph Dobrowsky, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Andrea Saulan, }
Ulysses Richard Lord, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Whiting Griswold West,	William Ely Hopping,	Joseph Pryor,
Daniel Porter Bystle,	Chauncey Carroll Bush,	John Witherow,
Adolph Dobrowsky,	Alex. Robertson Andrews,	Joseph Weil.
Louis Wellendorff,		

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, Mortimer Cherbery	Green, Horace Weir	Scott, John Varner
Anderson, Charles	James, John	Shuffleton, Hugh Hall
Andrew, William	Kelner, William	Souter, John
Ashfield, James	Lean, William	Strode, John Sale
Bickford, William Henry	McKeag, William	Swain, Alex. Cartwright
Bossyns, John	Miller, Frank	Sweet, Henry Andrew
Carpenter, John	Moore, Joseph	Syme, John
Chappell, James Nathan	Mount, Arthur Vandevere	Taylor, Holloway
Coleman, Adoram	Overmeyer, Charles Edwin	Tiffin, Franklin Clark
Cooper, Samuel	Parker, Elbridge Gerry	Van Emon, James Harvey
Downing, Isaac M.	Reagan, James	Warfield, Robert
Farquahar, Geo. Carruth	Recardo, John D.	Weil, Leopold
Ferrier, Michael	Rumfeldt, Augustus	Whitney, Walter Adams
Garden, John William	Scammon, James Freeman	Wilson, Henry EHis
Gleaves, James Malcolm	Schroeter, Gunt'r Fred'k C.	Wyatt, Andrew—62.

RESTORED:

Lean, William—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Shurtleff, Benjamin—1.

DIED:

Watson, William—1.

TEHAMA LODGE, No. 3.

Sacramento, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS :

William Buckley Davis, <i>Master</i> ,	Wm. Frederick Huntoon, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Frederick Conrad Stober, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Geo. Warren Chapman, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Geo. Frederick Bronner, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Robert Collar, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Watt, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Samuel Excelsior Webster, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Paraclete Potter, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Samuel Augustus Wolfe, }
Peter Zacharias, (of Union Lodge, No. 58,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

John Liness,	Joseph Richard Webster,	William Buckley Davis,
Robert Collar,	William Wellox Sim,	Eldridge Lafayette Hawk,
Albert Bryan Bird	Edward Frost Taylor,	Alonzo Conklin.
George Warren Parkinson.		

MASTER MASONS :

Adams, Oliver Miller	Fulton, Robert L.	Oyer, Philip
Annis, Thomas	Gallatin, Albert	Poorman, Samuel
Bailey, George	Givens, Alonzo Weber	Painter, Andrew Jackson
Barrett, John William	Givens, Charles Stuart	Painter, James S.
Bauquea, Joseph	Hamilton, Charles Alex.	Potter, Lyme M.
Baxter, Adelbert Morris	Harper, Thomas	Ratcliff, William M.
Bennett, Albert Austin	Harris, Elias Bramon	Roberts, John Henry
Bergevine, Nel'n Langevin	Harris, Thomas Spencer	Roblin, James Abram
Bien, Louis	Harrison, Aaron	Rosenfield, Simon
Briggs, Alfred	Hasness, Frank	Ryan, John
Briggs, Wallis Alvin	Hotchkiss, Fred. Spencer	Sauze, James
Burcham, William	Hubbard, Cyrus Hayden	Scherb, Francis
Burrill, David	Hyman, Jacob	Shepard, Harper Michle
Calderwood, Job Francis	Jackman, Samuel Hason	Skelton, John
Chamberlin, Ebenezer	Jackson, William Franklin	Slack, Franklin H.
Champlain, Nelson	Keifer, Samuel Michel	Smith, Thomas Jefferson
Clark, Daniel Washington	Kunz, Peter	Staneart, John Walker
Clark, Thomas Williams	Leitzinger, Melchoir	Stanton, Perrin
Cottingham, Hill'd Pinckney	Littlefield, Louis B.	Stubbs, John L.
Dailey, Charles	Lower, William M.	Taylor, John Brown
Davidson, Joseph Gordon	Maier, Jacob Fred. William	Terry, Rollin Charles
Davis, Jerome C.	Manning, Albert	Thraillkill, William Oscar
Davis, William Hewson	Markert, Henry Philip	Tufts, Albert Currier
Dennison, Eli Sherwin	Marsh, George Whitfield	Ulp, Alfred
Domingoes, John	McCrum, William	Vermilya, Abraham John
Dresher, Valentine	McDonald, Robert Henry	Waymaier, James A.
Durno, Peter	McFetrich, John	Weinricht, Henry
Ewers, Otto	Mead, William Harmon	Weismann, Chas. Frederick
Fifield, Daniel Black	Milliken, Francis Marion	Wilber, William McEllaney
Foster, Mark	Montgomery, George	Willard, David Wright
Foye, Wm. Robinson Smith	Moses, Howard Adolphus	Wratten, James Edward

FELLOW CRAFT :

Robb, Walter Scott—1.

RESTORED :

Jackson, William Franklin—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Askwith, Albert Charles—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Jones, Jeremiah Solon

Waltenspiel, Gust. Adolphus—2.

DIED :

Wetzler, Julius

Wilsey, Levi

Zeh, George Christian—3.

BENICIA LODGE, No. 5.

Benicia, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Thomas McKay, *Master*,Fred'k Phillip Weinmann, *Sen. Warden*,John Innis, *Junior Warden*,John Rueger, *Treasurer*,Timothy Sage, *Secretary*,Louis Weinmann, *Senior Deacon*,Richard Westoby, *Junior Deacon*,Charles Spaulding, *Marshal*,Valentine Newmark, } *Stewards*,

John Mounce, }

Robert Stewart, *Tyler*.

Past Masters :

Lansing Bond Mizner,

William Sewall Wells,

Timothy Sage,

Otis Kimball Freeman,

John Grant,

Edwin Danforth,

Thomas McKay,

George Poor,

John Frasier.

MASTER MASONS :

Aitken, George

Blake, Freeman Dawes

Campbell, William Robert

Davis, James Nickles

Duckel, Nicholas

Filer, Samuel John

Finch, John Newman

Harris, John F.

Johnson, Joseph Green

Kelly, John W.

Kinstry, Thomas

Long, Michael Henry

Mathewson, John

Mathewson, William

McArther, Murdock

McDonald, Archibald

McIntosh, Stephen Fulton

McKenzie, Allen

McKenzie, Kenneth

McKey, Robert H.

Muller, Konrad

Neate, John

Pollock, Robert

Potts, James

Sanborn, Edward William

Smith, William Henry

Sutphen, Albert Warren

Taylor, Byron Isaac

Tousaint, Louis

Trumbull, Charles William

Von Pfister, Edw'd Horatio

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ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Folsom, Myrick—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Tuttle, Hartson—1.

DIED :

Housley, John

Jacobs, John Joseph—2.

TUOLUMNE LODGE, No. 8.

Sonora, Tuolumne County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Alvin Bacon Preston, <i>Master</i> ,	Edward Keil, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Dennis Burdett Warfield, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Moore Hampton, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
Alonzo Colby, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Archibald Patterson, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Charles Edward Lang, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Otho West, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
Solomon Benas, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Wm. Gustav Rudorff, }
Francis Anthony Prassa, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Francis Anthony Prassa,	William Giles Long,	Solomon Benas,
Isaac Newton McColloch,	William Davis Newton,	Winslow Hubbard,
James Bell,	John Walker,	Edwin Aldrich Rodgers.
Frederick Faxon,	Alvin Bacon Preston,	

MASTER MASONS :

Amy, Claud Benoit	Hampton, Edward Matlick	Pinto, Adolph
Arthur, David Bearon	Harriman, Martin Baxton	Potter, Isaac Justus
Barlow, Abraham	Haskins, Joseph	Priest, William Cadmus
Barter, George	Heinold, Leonard	Read, George Alexander
Brown, Gurdon	Hender, Samuel John	Redmond, John David
Brunson, Horace	Jenkins, Richard	Reuter, Gustavus Samuel
Bush, George Carroll	Johns, Richard Martyn	Reyland, Phillip Jac. Calix
Callinan, William	Kahl, Leonard, Jr.	Ripperdan, Isaac
Congdon, Geo. Washington	Kirkwood, James	Rocca, Andrew
Conrad, Frederick	Klein, Peter	Rundell, Robert Edward
Cowie, John	Lawson, John	Servier, John
Darrow, William	Leon, Samuel	Sharwood, William
Divoll, James George	Madsen, Mads Henrik	Slocumb, John Charles
Duquesne, Desire Felix	Mills, Albert	Soulsby, Benjamin
Eichelroth, William Egidius	Mitchell, Addison Mills	Soulsby, George Chicken
Francis, Robert	Mitchell, Frederick Francis	Stoker, Jacob Richard
Funck, Samuel	Mundorf, John	Turner, William Francis
Gallut, Victor	Nockin, Alexander	Waterhouse, Wm. H'y Har'n
Glasson, William	Parsons, James	Wells, Norfolk Walter
Gramp, Frederick	Penrose, Edward Rippon	Wildes, Allen
Gundry, Henry	Perry, William Battie	Wilson, Rich'd Montgomery
Haag, Adam	Peters, Joseph	Wyckoff, William
Hammel, Jesse	Phillips, James	Yancey, Tryon Milton—88.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Klefecker, Louis	McNeil, Henry Bascomb	Wilson, William—4.
Martin, Florimon Francois		

WITHDRAWN:

Stone, Leroy Downey—1.

DIED:

Underwood, John Kendall—1.

CORINTHIAN LODGE, No. 9.

Marysville, Yuba County.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Lemuel Trescott Crane, <i>Master</i> ,	Ernest Hoefle, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Driver, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Simon Hochstadter, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Frank David Hudson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Amasa Willey White, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Marcus Marcuse, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Henry Charles Lott, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Henry Gerken, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Eugene Barthe, }
Thomas Kent, (of Yuba Lodge, No. 39,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

William Caldwell Belcher,	Atkins Clark Bingham,	Edmund Taylor Wilkins,
William Caldwell Swain,	Meyer A. Marcuse,	William Fletcher,
Norman Dunning Rideout,	Avery Powers Barnes,	Lemuel Trescott Crane.
Amasa Willey White,	Alexander Gibson,	

MASTER MASONS:

Aaron, Francis Wm. Howard	Foster, John Quincy	McDaniels, Rich'd Harrison
Ansorg, Charles	Friend William	Mitchell, Henry Keller
Anthony, Charles Volney	Goodwin, Jesse Olmstead	Murrill, John Thomas
Armer, Max	Goodwin, Hannibal	Nettleton, William Henry
Baird, George Hall	Gwynn, William	North, George
Baker, Timothy	Hamlin, Norman Scott	Parker, Theodore Rosevelt
Barrett, Herndon	Hampton, Charles Cecil	Payne, Sumner
Barrie, John Ferguson	Harrington, Christ'r Clark	Pengally, Robert Wiley
Belcher, Edward Augustus	Hemstead, Wm. Chas. F'k	Phillips, Joseph
Belcher, Isaac Sawyer	Henry, John	Prescott, Danforth
Belding, Lyman	Herbert, James Thomas	Prescott, Geo. Washington
Bockius, Charles George	Hochstadter, Adolph	Reilly, Edward James
Bomatter, Charles	Holland, George	Scrage, Anthony
Brain, James	Hubbard, Corn's Van Dyke	Schreyer, Henry
Caldwell, Arthur Brooks	Hudson, Edward Henry	Schroeder, Henry Christian
Carr, James E.	Hutchings, Samuel Cole	Schulenburg, Adolph
Chandon, Joseph John	Jackson, Frank Mason	Simpkins, Charles Henry
Crooks, John Edwin	Jackson, William	Stanwood, Richard Goss
Decker, Peter	Jenkins, George Lindley	Starr, Abraham Duboz
Dougall, Thomas	Jones, Hugh Colton	Teegarden, Eli
Eccleston, Richard	Knight, David Edgar	Tomb, Jacob
Elder, George Washington	Korb, Jacob	Wallace, Henry Kilburn
Eilerman, Bernhard	Krause, John Howard	Weinlander, Edward
Ellis, William Turner	Krebs, Herman	Willey, Amasa Parker
Estelle, Andrew Hilden	Lawrence, William Lee	Williams, William Loyd
Fairclough, James	Lindley, Charles	Wimberley, William Alex.
Falk, Lewin	McCormick, Thos. Jefferson	Woodrow, Edgar
Field, Stephen Johnson	McDaniel, John	Woods, Mattison—103.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Eckert, William Robert—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Russell, J. Jerome—1.

RESTORED:

Jackson, Frank Mason—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Cohn, Morris	Hobson, John Elliot	Reece, Thomas White
Ekland, John Peter	Raynolds, John	Strohm, Thomas—6.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Cady, Martin Kellogg	Lowery, William Andrew	Trayner, James
Clark, Hiram Alfonzo	Read, James	White, Alexander—7.
Irwin, Alex'r Campbell		

DIED:

Harvey, William—1.

SAN JOSE LODGE, No. 10.

San Jose, Santa Clara County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS :

William Bensley Shoemaker, <i>Master,</i>	Wilson Hays, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Morgan Strange McMahan, <i>Sen. Warden,</i>	Henry C. Gregory, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Wilbur Justus Wilcox, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	William Osman Breyfogle, <i>Marshal,</i>
Edward Ham Guppy, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Alexander Smith Knox, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Charles Wesley Dix, <i>Secretary,</i>	Henry Laurilliard, }
George William Foote, <i>Chaplain,</i>	Fered Sanford Coffin, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Benjamin Cory,	Henry Olp Weller,	William Nicholas Castle,
John Bankson Hewson,	Dolphus Skinner Payne,	Wm. Bensley Shoemaker,
Henry John Haskell,	Hugh Johnson Bradley,	Samuel Watson Boring.
William Alex. January,		

MASTER MASONS:

Adel, Wilmer Thomas	Blumenthal, Marx	Crowell, Martin Luther
Anderson, Philip	Bodley, Thomas	Curtiss, Charles Skinner
Allsopp, Jas. Pons. Carleton	Boschken, Jacob	Curtiss, Sam'l Southmayd
Appleton, Morris	Bourdence, Pierre	Daugherty, Wm. Wallace
Archambault, Joseph	Breyfogle, Charles Wesley	Delmouley, Antoine
Ayer, Samuel Freeman	Briggs, Joseph Warren	Easley, Sam'l Miller Woodson
Bailey, Daniel Copps	Brown, Jeremiah Yancey	Easterday, Sol. Warren
Baker, George Frank	Buckner, Richard Boliver	Ellis, William Fred
Ballou, John Quincy Adams	Bushnell, Daniel Edwin	Fallon, Thomas
Baltz, Peter	Cahill, John	Feist, Felix
Barkley, Andrew Shanklin	Capt. Gustave	Finch, James Brown
Barling, Harry	Carey, Francis Marion	Freeman, Thomas Alston
Barnhisel, Lewis	Castle, Isaac Nelson	Gardner, David Boyd
Beach, Carmi Warren	Chopard, Louis	Gault, Thomas
Beach, Tyler,	Clarke, Charles	Geach, John Sowden
Beans, Thomas Ellard	Clayton, James Atkinson	Geach, William Edward
Bee, Samuel Robert	Connor, Edward Popejoy	Gebler, Theo. Aug. Henry
Belden, Josiah	Cordell, Thomas Hart	Gerdes, John Christian
Berce, Joseph	Courter, Henry Farley	Gladewitz, Christian Davis
Bluett, Philip	Craw, John Palmer	Grey, William

Guerrey, John David	McCloskey, Thomas	Reed, Elliott
Hagedon, Charles Luther	McKenzie, Roderick	Reynolds, Geo. Washington
Hamilton, Alonzo Bobbitt	McMurtry, William Sharpe	Rich, Jacob
Harper, Richard Bailey	Meyers, Francis	Rinaldo, David
Harris, Will Frank	Middleton, Joseph Traill	Roberts, Return
Heinlen, Goethe Augustus	Minor, Peter Overton	Robinson, Elijah Kennedy
Hollenbeck, Walt. Morrison	Moser, Jacob	Roche, Peter
Holloway, William	Mott, John	Rowley, Albanus Bellger
Hooker, Albert Oliver	Moulton, Stillman Augustus	Rucker, Joseph Edmunson
Hosking, George	Newhall, Sylvester	Sexton, William
Houghton, Henry Albert	Noell, Richard	Shaw, Joseph Nathan
Incagnone, Antonio	Norton, Henry Brace	Sim, George
Ingram, William	O'Brien, Maurice	Skow, Hans Christian
Jacobson, Raphael	O'Hanlon, Robert Terrence	Spring, Thaddeus Warsaw
James, Charles Hodge	Olinder, Carl Ferdinand	Stephens, Columbus Cecil
Jones, Leon Erskine	Overshiner, Gideon Jack'n	Stockton, Nathaniel Hiram
Jones, William G.	Owens, James J.	Summers, Robert
Kent, Sherman	Owens, William Henry	Swartz, William McDowell
Kilbin, Joseph Francis	Page, Chas. Henry Robert	Taylor, William Stuart
Kottinger, John William	Papson, William	Tillotson, Harlan
Lepesch, John	Peck, Abijah Wheaton	Topham, Edward
Lewis, James Ballard	Perry, George	Wagener, Samuel Hopkins
Lion, Lazar	Pomeroy, Abraham Ehle	Warling, Olof
Lowe, Ralph	Powell, Frederick	Wilber, Robert E.
Lubliner, Morris	Pozzo, Francisco	White, James Augustus
Maffre, Hypolite	Poulaine, Augustine	Williamson, James
McCabe, Philip Thurman	Priest, Richard Turner	Willoughby, Mathew—162.

RESTORED:

Webber, Millard L.—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Johnson, John Hiram	McGrath, John Joseph	Schoenlicht, John
Loryea, Joseph	Messing, Henry	Webber, Millard L.—6.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Brownell, Lyman Ackley	Duff, John	Howland, Benj. Franklin
Bryant, Berryman	Fee, George Washington	Linoberg, Louis
Canney, Joseph Daniel	Golden, John	Parkin, William—10.
Clarkson, Alex. Quarrier		

DIED:

Field, Walter	McKenzie, Donald S.	Scott, Joseph—4.
McKenzie, Donald		

YOUNT LODGE, No. 12.

Napa, Napa County.

Stated Meetings, first Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Finis Ewing Johnston, <i>Master,</i>	Thomas Derry, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Edward Derrel Beard, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Joseph Lilburn Robinson, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
William Hunter, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Charles Henry Allen, <i>Marshal,</i>
Peter Van Bever, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Frederick N. Giles, { <i>Stewards,</i>
Barton Hezekiah Gorton, <i>Secretary,</i>	Andrew Jackson Hull, }
Amos Smith Knapp, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters :

Henry Hay Knapp,	William Jardin Clayton,	William Bradford,
Robert Crouch,	William Henry Holladay,	Finis Ewing Johnston.

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, Robert Barrow	Grigsby, Alfonzo Lafayette	Plass, Philip
Allcorn, James Madison	Griswold, Isaac Henry	Pond, Milo Bushnell
Allen, John	Gritman, Charles Ray	Priest, Joshua James
Amstutz, Henry Louis	Hass, David Leopold	Rhees, Henry Holcombe
Andrews, William	Haas, Martin Luther	Richie, Mathew G.
Briggs, Sebra	Haas, Solomon L.	Robinson, Bebee
Bustelli, Gottardo	Harrison, Samuel	Sampson, Andrew
Calleway, Sampson Horatio	Helm, William James	Shaw, Matthew
Cohen, Morris	Hemenway, Frederick	Shurtliff, Benjamin
Colman, Frederick William	Horstmeyer, Henry Conrad	Smith, Nathaniel Woodhull
Cooper, Luther Blake	Howell, Joseph	Smith, Wm. Court. Schenck
Corwin, Louis Marion	Irwin, Edward	Stoney, Thomas Porcher
Creeley, Isaac	Kimball, Edwin	Swift, John Jackson
Davis, James Richardson	Long, Reuben	Symnes, Rich'd Hutchinson
Donlin, Michael	Lyle, Peter	Thorn, Abbott Goddard
Eggleston, William	Mallett, John Holland	Truebody, William Alex.
Elles, Theodore	Marble, Nelson	Turner, Frederick Henry
Ellis, Frederick Plummer	Martin, Thomas Marcom	Walker, Abner Buell
Everts, Charles Nicholas	McLellan, Joseph Alex.	Walker, Calvin Bowers
Finnel, John	Miller, Francis Asbury	Watson, John
Ford, George Wellman	Parks, Daniel Burrell	West, Robert
Gift, George Washington	Pinkham, George Grafton	Wilson, James Cannon
Grigsby, Achilles Fine	Plass, Charles Winson	Zollner, John Frederick—85.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Knudsen, Andrew	Robinson, Thomas Alex'dr	Sanderson, Robert—4.
Myer, Frederick		

WITHDRAWN:

Clark, George Washington	Ellis, Ralph—2.
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NEVADA LODGE, No. 13.**Nevada, Nevada County.**

Stated Meetings, second Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS :

John Caldwell, <i>Master,</i>	Edward Myers Preston, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Ole Amos Nelson, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	William Gilbert Richards, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Jacob Lafayette Holland, <i>Jun. Warden,</i>	Ianthus Jerome Rolfe, <i>Marshal,</i>
Martin Luther Marsh, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Christian C. Weisenburger, } <i>Stewards,</i>
John Herbert Boardman, <i>Secretary,</i>	Charles Seamore Maltman, }
George Ransom Davis, <i>Chaplain,</i>	William Holmes, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

John Randolph McConnell,	Thomas Hubbard Caswell,	Niles Searls,
Thomas Porter Hawley,	John Caldwell,	Ianthus Jerome Rolfe.
William Cooper Randolph,	Franklin Ennis,	

MASTER MASONS :

Adair, Isaac	Giles, Timothy	Noffziger, Jacob
Allan, George Grant	Glasson, Joseph	Nichols, Samuel
Ashburn, Hans Arent	Goldsmith, Abraham	Nivens, Archibald
Barton, William	Guscetti, Battista	Paré, Camille Alfred
Beckman, Christian	Hale, Horace	Rich, Daniel Alexander
Bennallack, James	Hankin, Charles Henry	Richards, Phillip
Bigelow, Edwin Wells	Hart, John Wesley	Richards, William Stephen
Bolton, Charles Harrison	Haskins, Henry Harrison	Roussin, Charles Adrien
Brown, John Earl	Herzinger, John	Sargent, Aaron Augustus
Buffington, John Mason, Jr.	Hocking, John	Siddles, Milan Burchard
Burrington, Albert	Hughson, Palmer Eliakim	Sloan, Alexander
Carr, Ballis J.	Hunerfauth, Peter	Stansfield, Halstead
Casper, Kaskil	Hunt, Robert Menzo	Stoddard, Orlando
Clark, Albert Peterson	Huntley, Elijah	Stowers, Nathaniel Henry
Clemo, William	Jacobs, George Farrand	Tallman, Geo. Washington
Coates, John R.	Johnston, William John	Tam, Antonio
Cooper, George Francis	Kent, William	Tellam, Frederick
Crandall, Orman	Kitts, James	Thomas, Edward B.
Curnow, William	Kistle, William Henry	Thomas, Joseph
Curtis, Thomas	Klingenspor, Charles	Thorndike, John Hall
Davenport, Samuel Breck	Locklin, James Curtis	Tilley, Edwin
Dean, Edward David	Loring, George Henry	Todd, Joseph
Dickson, John Hutton	Lyford, Charles Albert	Tower, Alonzo Douglas
Dodge, George	Mariner, Hiram	Tozer, Charles Warren
Donald, James	Marsh, Daniel	Tremaine, Richard
Duryea, William Henry	McCutchan, Robert Givan	Turner, George Edward
Eddy, Samuel James	McElvy, Charles	Weber, Nicolas
Evans, John	McKinney, David Jamieson	Whiting, Silas Osoro
Faull, George	Mein, Thomas	Wing, Rodney
Fleming, Joseph Davenport	Mitten, John	Williamson, Levi
Floyd, William	Morris, John Fairfield	Wilson, Andrew Boyd—113.
Gentry, Richard Benton	Morrison, Sam'l McCormick	

WITHDRAWN :

Chapman, Allen	McAllister, Fred'k Henry	Scott, George Washington
Dillon, Thomas Edward	Pedroncini, Alberto	Seibert, Nicholas—8.
Flagg, Jacob Redding	Rich, Charles Ephraim	

DIED :

Comacho, John Gomez	Morrison, Robert Bryson	Schardin, Hubert—3.
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TEMPLE LODGE, No. 14.

Sonoma, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

David Burris, <i>Master</i> ,	George Milton Wells, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Jacob Stofen, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Dugald McKillop, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Peter Love McGill, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Peter Nicholas Stofen, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Montgomery Paxton Akers, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Richard Daniel Moore, }
Gustave Theodore Pauli, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Franklin Scarey, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Andrew Perry Jackson, Willis Catlit Goodman, David Burris.

MASTER MASONS:

Akers, Stephen	Davisson, Daniel D.	McHarvey, Charles
Berry, William Albert	Haraszthy, Attila Frederic	Sawtelle, Elnathan Prescott
Bihler, William	Johannsen, Lud'g Matthias	Sephton, Hugh
Box, Samuel Powell	Levy, Bernard	Suhrbier, John Joac'm Hans
Burris, William	Litzius, Geo. Heinr'h Lud'g	Thompson, Peter Henry
Chandler, John Allen	Liner, Richard	Williams, Joseph Anton
Chauvet, Joshua	McConnell, William Ellit	Wooster, Mark—34.
Cutter, Ephriam Pierce		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Agnew, Samuel Jasper—1. Halloran, Edward Sparks, George Washington—2.

RESTORED:

Bihler, William—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bradford, Ward Dillon, Charles Hardy Wilbur, Eben Witham—3.

DIED:

Hollman, Arnold Constantine Warfield, Jacob Bigelow—2.

EUREKA LODGE, No. 16.**Auburn, Placer County.**

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Edward Frederick Holle, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles John Hellwig, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Barter, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Matts Sundholm, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Brown McGuire, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Hienr'h Ernst Elfandahl, <i>Stewards</i> ,
David Waldemar Lubeck, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Robert William Roberts,
Orrin Whitcomb Hollenbeck, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Josiah Mears, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

John Riggs Crandall, Orrin Whitcomb Hollenbeck, Edward Frederick Holle.
Jacob Hart Neff, Charles John Hellwig,

MASTER MASONS:

Afleck, Edward	French, Harvey Robert	Predmore, Gerra Bretton
Boden, Thomas	Fulweiler, John Mathias	Rice, Daniel Austin
Boggs, John Craig	Griffith, Griffith	Russing, Edward S.
Borland, James	Houn, George Washington	Severance, William Wallace
Caddy, Peter Francis	Keena, James	Smith, Edwin Guy
Campbell, John Henry	Knowles, George Hartley	Snowden, Ed. Christopher
Crosby, Charles Chase	Lanyon, Cyrus	Starbuck, John Boardman
Crutcher, Wm. McDowell	McBride, John	Wardwell, Jarius Vespasian
Dana, Lester Freeman	Morrissey, Christopher	White, John Miles
Dickinson, Thomas	Mullen, William Henry	Whittemore, Adrian Stores
Edwards, David	Phillips, James P. M.	Willis, James Riley—45.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Heaton, Nathaniel—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Moore, Washington LaFayette—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Coyne, John Franklin
Holder, JohnLaven, James Andrew
Lyon, Walter Benjamin

Smith, Louis Gailou—5.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Greene, William George

Spear, David Wentz

Swan, Charles Johnston—3.

LOGE LA PARFAITE UNION, No. 17.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Philippe Sabatié, *Master*,
Frederick Lagrange, *Senior Warden*,
Eugene Robinet, *Junior Warden*,
François Pierre Masson, *Treasurer*,
Armand Lemardelay, *Secretary*,
Antoine Ricard, *Chaplain*,Armand Chevannier, *Senior Deacon*,
Henri F. Brüggeman, *Junior Deacon*,
Anatole Lobe, *Marshal*,
Gaston Boisse, } *Stewards*,
André Douet, }Ira Colburn Root, (of California Lodge, No. 1,) *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Pierre Bonis,
Louis Bresse,

François Pierre Masson,

Dominique Germain Lucien.

MASTER MASONS:

Alexandre, Joseph
Alexandre, Théodore
Ashton, Charles
Astorg, Alphonse
Auradou, Jules
Ayhens, Lèon
Barada, Laurent
Barbier, Joseph Prudent
Bazan, Ferdinand
Belcour, Jules
Berton, François
Blaser, Jean Christian
Blum, Alfred
Blum, Jacques
Blum, Lèon
Boudin, Louis Charles
Brüggemann, Henry G.
Cantel, Louis
Carpy, Charles
Chamonal, Emile
Chauché, Adrien Georges
Daney, Michel
Dazet, Jean Baptiste
Decourtieux, Amand
Dejean, Lèon
Demousset, NicolasDeney, Ernest Michel
Dennery, Eugène
Deyville, Jean
Dimmer, Nicolas
Dingeon, Lèon
Dolet, Auguste
Durroux, Joseph
Eisenberg, Adolph
Fleuriere, Louis François
Fossard, Amable
Frank, Isidore
Gagnon, Jean Baptiste
Geantit, Alphonse
Ghirardelli, Dominico
Godchaux, Joseph
Grègoire, Louis
Grisar, Emile
Grosso, Constantino
Guittard, Etienne
Good, Christian
Hallgarten, Benoit
Hoffman, Simon
Joinau, Paul
Kaplan, Hyman
Lebatard, Michel
Lebert, VictorLenormand, Lèon
Letroadec, Louis
Levy, Bernard
Ligon, Lèopold
Lücke, Henri
Lyons, Ernest Gabriel
Maison, Lèon Achille
Masson, Joseph
Mihy, Louis Jules
Mooser, William
Neuburger, Gustave
Nola, Leo
Ortion, Aug. Jos. Victor
Payen, Louis
Payot, Henri
Pères, Louis
Puyoon, Bernard
Quinquinet, Antoine
Raclet, Guillaume
Raas, Emanuel
Redeuilh, Emile
Reiss, Bernard
Revert, Alphonse
Roggia, Jean Thomas
Roos, Adolphe 1st.
Roos, Adolphe 2d.

Roturier, Charles	Seibel, Frédéric	Vidon, Paul François
Rouge, Vincent Louis	St. Denis, Jules de	Villegia, Léopold
Sainsot, François	Tissot, Jean Claude	Weill, Raphael
Salomon, Sylvain	Venard, Pierre Guillaume	Willard, Léon—106.
Samouillet, André	Vermeil, Jean Louis	

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Aylhens, Paul Joseph—1.

RESTORED :

Dennery, Eugène—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Berton, Flavien	Huguenin, William	Mani, Alexandre—4.
Cazeaux, Dominique		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Casamajou, Jean Auguste	McLaughlin, Moses Alfred	Terrien, Thimoléon
Cazentre, Jean	Pècheu, Pierre	Touya, Antoine—8.
Lelièvre, Adolphe Eugène	Péguillan, Eugène	

DIED:

Buffandeau, Emile	Delange, Jacques	Hermann, Jean Baptiste—3.
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MOUNTAIN SHADE LODGE, No. 18.

Downieville, Sierra County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Benjamin Pauly, <i>Master</i> ,	Henry Spaulding, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Adolph Cohn, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Frank David Soward, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Miles Barrett, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Robert Forbes, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Henry Hadden Purdy, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John August Blohm, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Scott, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Valentine Hartling, }
	Jacob Rinker Rogers, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Leonidas E. Pratt,	James Brown Crooks,	Benjamin Pauly.
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MASTER MASONS :

Alexander, James Romsey	Jacobs, Michael	Shafer, Sheldon Woodruff
Backer, Henry	Jones, Robert John	Spanseil, Charles
Barnhardt, Lewis	Lewis, Jacob	Strange, Henry
Berg, Joseph	McGuire, Andrew John	Thatcher, Isaac Worlds
Buhl, Christian	Meroux, Jean Marie Bon	Thomas, Henry
Byington, Lewis	Mowry, Lewis	Treat, Charles Lewis
Davidson, Samuel Bates	Mulholland, Robert Smith	Ware, Lawrence
Denmire, Aden	Owens, John Foulkes,	Weil, John Joseph
Erschbacher, Frantz Ant'o	Perkins, William	Whitney, David Livingstone
Gray, Charles	Picken, Alexander	Wilbourn, William
Ift, George	Ryan, William	Williams, Rich'd Hugh—46.

RESTORED:

Ward, William—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Asher, Alexander Branch	Cooper, Samuel Davis	Thom, Alexander
Chappuis, André	Seron, Pierre Louis	Ward, William—6

SAN JOAQUIN LODGE, No. 19.

Stockton, San Joaquin County.

Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

John Allen Hosmer, <i>Master</i> ,	Joseph La Rose Phelps, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Harvey Stevens Barnes, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Benjamin Pierce Batchelder, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
———, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Henry John Hughes, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Graham, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Thomas,
Charles Augustus Ruggles, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Chas. W. C. Otto Dohrmann, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Robert Scott Jackson, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Gilbert Burnet Claiborne,	William Abraham Davies,	Sargent Smith Littlehale,
Edward David Kalisher,	Alexander Chalmers,	Minord Sprague Thresher,
Timothy Winn Newell,	Charles Augustus Ruggles,	Edwin Brown Sherman,
Frank Stewart,	Isaac Sutvene Titus,	Isaac Lothrop.
Sidney Newell,	William Graham,	

MASTER MASONS:

Bargman, Hermann Jansen	Dunbar, Sylvanus G. S.	Peters, Joseph D.
Belding, Charles	Eldridge, Edward Duane	Roseman, Ferdinand
Bennett, Charles	Fraser, Philip Barry	Rothenbush, Christopher
Black, Houston	Hodgkins, Henry	Seilnacht, Frank
Brown, Albert Gallatin	Huggins, Francis Jones	Smith, George Falkenbergh
Brown, James Ewing	Hunter, Josiah	Smith, James Caldwell
Brutschy, Charles	James, Jefferson Gilbert	Smith, James Winn
Buckley, William Samuel	Johnson, Peter	Stevenson, Robert Watkins
Caine, John	Littlehale, James	Taylor, Charles Edwin
Chalmers, George	Moore, William	Taylor, Hugh Woodruff
Conkelman, Bernard	Norton, Edward	Tilghman, George
Daniels, James Moore	O'Brien, John Henry	Waterman, Sylvanus Dexter
Devoll, Henry Howard	Parker, Royal Bellows	Weaver, Henry Wittmer
Driscoll, Jeremiah	Parker, Stiles S. Carpenter	Woods, Samuel Mosley—64.

WITHDRAWN :

Munter, Aug. Fred. Wilhelm—1.

DIED :

Steiny, Julius—1.

WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 20.

Sacramento, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Edwin Glover, <i>Master</i> ,	Elias Rath, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Robert Kerr Wick, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Samuel Nathan, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Harry Owen White, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Asa Pomeroy Andrews, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Gabriel Haines, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Lewis Herndon, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Lewis Clifford Jordan, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Stephen William Butler,
Peter Zacharias, (of Union Lodge, No. 58,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Nathaniel Greene Curtis,	Myron Hatch Renwick,	Gabriel Haines,
Hamilton Carter Harrison,	Erwin Platt Starr,	Samuel Frank,
Leonard Goss,	Justin Gates,	Edwin Glover.

MASTER MASONS :

Akerman, Albert	Gates, Daniel Virgil	Marvin, Frank William
Avery, Ira	Glover, Joseph Terry	Ochsner, John
Backus, Gurdon	Gurney, Charles William	Pacheco, Romualdo
Bannester, Thomas	Harrison, Robert	Patterson, Arnold Duncan
Bergman, Martin Laurons	Haskell, Dudley Haines	Putnam, George Alford
Block, Maurice	Harbison, John S.	Redding, Benjamin Barnard
Breuner, John	Hardy, James P.	Rutledge, Robert
Budd, Henry	Hoag, William Moffet	Smith, Frank
Bunner, Andrew Jackson	Holland, James	Strobridge, Tullius Wash'n
Clunie, Thomas Jefferson	Hutchinson, Champ'n Israel	Van Heusen, Henry
Constine, Louis	Johnson, Hiram Warren	Wachhorst, Hermann
Cook, Frank Herbert	Keeber, Jacob	White, Edward Franklin
Day, James Thompson	Libby, Warren Thompson	White, John Z.
Deal, Samuel	Lightner, Charles William	Williams, Llewellyn
Denton, Nehemiah Nichols	Lord, Joseph Dennis	Woolley, John
Elkus, Louis	Madden, Jerome	Young, John Nellis—66.
Felch, Walton Cheever		

RESTORED:

Lightner, Charles William—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Callaghan, Daniel E. Crowell, Wentworth Tyler—2.

DIED:

Goods, James Carey McGrew, John—2.

HAWAIIAN LODGE, No. 21.**Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands.**

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

David Kay Fyfe, <i>Master</i> ,	Peter Jones, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,	
Robert Gray, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Halliday McLean, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,	
Hugh McIntyre, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Samuel Smithies,	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
Frederick August Schaefer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Fred. Wil. Theodore Toel,	
Charles Thomas Gulick, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Heinrich Bruns, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

George Williams,	William Fessenden Allen,	Albert Francis Judd,
Alexander Joy Cartwright,	Cornelius Stevenson Bartow,	David Kay Fife.
Abraham Fornander,	John Adair Hassinger,	

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, Edward Payson	Campbell, Thomas	Cleghorn, Archibald Scott
Austin, Stafford Lapham	Carter, Samuel Morrill	Coney, John Howard
Bruns, Henry Burnhard	Chaytor, John Thomas	Dole, George Hathaway

Donnell, Major Thompson	Johnson, William	Sorrenson, Thomas
Duncan, William	Louisson, Morris	Strehz, Edward
Eckhart, Maximillian	Love, William	Tannatt, Thomas
Emmes, George John	Luce, George Henry	Terrill, Thomas Coke
English, Henry	Mackintosh, Alexander	Tripp, Alfred Newton
Flitner, David Neil	Marchant, Lorenzo	Wall, Charles Frederick
Greigg, William	McGrew, John Strayer	Way, Lewis
Gray, George	McKibbin, Robert	West, Gideon
Haley, Nelson Cole	McLean, George Christie	Whitney, Benjamin
Harrison, John Henry	Nolte, Henry Julius	Wicke, John Daniel
Hoffmann, Edward	Parke, William Cooper	Wilcox, William Luther
Hughes, Thomas	Parker, Samuel	Williams, George Cornfield
Hutchinson, Francis Blake	Paty, John Henry	Wood, John Charles
Hyman, Joseph	Roth, Simon	Woods, James—70.
Hyman, Michael	Scholtz, Oswald	

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Callihan, Warren Eugene McGregor, Alexander—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Howe, George Everett Wilder, Samuel Gardner—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Schmidt, Frederick William—1.

EXPELLED :

More, Robert—1.

DIED :

Heuck, Theodore Christopher—1.

OCCIDENTAL LODGE, No. 22.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS :

James Knox Polk Wilson, <i>Master</i> ,	William Center, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Macdonald, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Jefferson Gillam, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Brilsford Pease Flint, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Frank William James, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Hiram Rosekrans, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Allen Stombs,
William Edward Moody, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Shailer Mackintosh Scott, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
George Henry Jenks, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Samuel David Mayer, <i>Organist</i> ,
	Harrison Jones, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

James Rice, Jr.	David Morgan, Jr.	Charles Morton Radcliff,
James Longhead Blaikie,	John Elbridge Pardy,	George Mackay Adams,
Harrison Jones,	Elliott Josiah Moore,	Joel Noah,
Charles Lyman,	Charles Johnson Willey,	John Jennings.
Augustine Dyer Carpenter,	Samuel Woolsey Backus,	

MASTER MASONS:

Angus, John Archibald	Beason, Frederick Pierce	Bowen, Charles Edward
Bachelor, Thos. Foxwell	Becker, Bernard Adolph	Bradley, George Lewis
Backus, Oscar Jerome	Bernard, Charles	Brannan, Samuel
Baird, John Hill	Benedict, Courtland Smith	Brant, William Perry
Baldwin, Alex. Richards	Bogle, William Henry	Briggs, Martin Clark

Brown, Thomas	Holland, Nathaniel	Munsell, James, Jr.
Burdick, Edward Freeman	Hopps, Charles Edwin	Nelson, Charles
Capp, Charles Singer	Horton, Thomas Rotch	Newman, Carlton
Carolan, Charles Anthony	Howland, Robert Muir	Newton, Morris
Carr, Mathew Doke	Hutorff, Henry	O'Connor, Cornelius
Center, George	Ives, George Isaac	Oliver, Joseph Lewis
Clark, Edmund Fanning	Jaynes, Frank	Parks, James
Clark, Treat Perry	Jensen, John William Ditlef	Phillips, Wm. Armstrong
Coey, James	Johnson, Albert	Pidwell, Cyril Trerosso
Colburn, Charles Henry	Johnson, Gustave Swante	Pinner, Robert
Cole, Richard Beverly	Johnson, John Munroe	Prior, John Lewis
Cook, Isaac	Johnson, Robert Carlton	Pitcher, Henry Hinsdale
Corlett, William	Jones, John Andrews	Plummer, Harry Wilkinson
Crane, Henry Adolphus	Jones, Joseph	Powell, Robert Baldwin
Cumming, James Munro	Kennedy, Leonard White	Quinn, William Henry
Cunningham, Michael Chas.	Kerr, James Watt	Reavis, William Henry
Damon, George Dimick	Kersey, John Daniel	Reichert, Theodore
Dean, Walter Edwin	Keuscher, Frederick	Robinson, Samuel
Denniston, Edward Gere	Kinney, Marshall Jackson	Rosekrans, Henry Mosier
DeSilver, Manuel Maria	Kittridge, Jonathan	Rowell, Charles
DeWitt, William Walstein	Kleinhans, John	Rosengarn, John Hermann
Dimond, William Henry	Kloppenstein, Andrew	Ridlington, Thomas
Downes, William Selden	Knapp, Jabez Burrill	Rutherford, Thomas Lewis
Downing, Henry Clay	Knowles, Charles Wesley	Sage, Lewis Peas
Dunphy, William	Kruse, John	Schafer, Herman Henry
Earl, John Ogden	Lambert, John Robert	Schultze, Charles
Elliot, Charles	Lambie, William Thomas	Scollay, William Alfred
Elliott, Alfred Thomas	Lawson, John Chris.	Scott, George
Ellis, John Stoneacre	Lockhart, Geo. Alexander	Scott, Walter
Fell, William	Lockstaedt, Louis	Seaton, Horace Henry
Flanders, Nathan	Lukins, Joseph Adolph	Sedgley, Abner
Flick, William Freyberg	Lull, Louis Richard	Sharpstein, John Rudolph
Folger, Daniel Webster	Luty, John Samuel	Sheldon, Mark
Forbes, Charles	Martin, Joseph Louis	Shepardson, Hart Franklin
Franklin, Roderick Penn	Mastick, Levi Benjamin	Shoenbar, John
French, Wheeler Nichols	Mathieson, Martin William	Shrader, Andrew Jackson
Frink, George Washington	Mauran, Joseph Russell	Simpson, Robert Weir
Fry, John Douglass	Mayers, Robert	Sinclair, John William
Gallagher, Bernard	Maynard, Duncan Dunbar	Sleeper, Charles
Gates, Horatio Sylvester	McCeney, Julius Claytor	Smith, Frank
Geary, William	McCrindle, William	Smith, Gilbert Cole
Gibbs, Nathan Henry	McDonald, Archibald	Smith, Stephen Henry
Glover, Geo. Francis Marion	McGuffick, William	Smith, William (1st)
Gorham, Chas. Easterbrook	McKinley, James	Smith, William (2d)
Greene, Henry Pliny	McLennan, Donald	Soulé, Frank
Griffin, John	McMillan, Daniel	Spencer, Lowell Brown
Hamilton, John Rae	Mead, Charles Henry	Stanley, Frederick Hastings
Haney, William Washington	Megaw, John George, Jr.	Stanley, James
Harris, Stephen Randall	Michaels, Henry	Steiger, Charles Rudolph
Haskell, Charles Lyman	Moebus, Wm. Fred. Gus.	Steiner, Nicholas
Haviland, John Tuthill	Moffit, Thomas Sabatier	Stewart, Thomas
Havner, James Randall	Moore, Robert Henry	Stone, William
Hiester, Amos Calvin	Morrison, Robert	Stowell, William Hayden
Hogg, Walter	Mulford, Thomas Whited	Sutton, William

Swain, Albert Edward	Thompson, Ira Dent	Wadhams, Luman
Sykes, Charles Henry	Topping, Watson William	Waters, Charles
Tasheira, Lewis	Trask, Adam Young	Wiley, Otis Freeman
Tay, George Hadley	Trueworthy, Francis Marion	Williams, George Edward
Taylor, John Brinkworth	Turner, Cephas	Williams, Henry Brown
Taylor, John Ward	Urquhart, James Simonson	Willis, John
Taylor, Joseph	Vanderslice, Wm. Keyser	Winterburn, Joseph
Tesmore, Solomon	Von Jeinsen, Ernest	Zeh, Theodore—228.
Theller, Samuel Lount		

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Mahoney, John Hill Seymour, Simon Harry—2.

RESTORED:

Bogle, William Henry Shoenbar, John—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Cory, Isaac Hunt	Storm, Cornelius	Williams, Abraham Pease
Denny, Edward	Taylor, John Franklin	Winter, Daniel
Horton, Pemberton Brittin	Thomson, Malcolm	Wheeler, Stephen James—9.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Beach, Alexan'r Thornton	Fleming, John James	Rouleau, François Adolphe
Buckley, James	Kline, Henry	Thrall, Stephen Chipman
Burmeister, Henry	Marr, James Harvey	Wood, Andrew Bunker
Carpenter, Dyer Augustine	Murdock, Walter Burbank	Wythe, Joseph Henry—13.
Cowell, James Harper		

DIED:

Altenberg, Ernest	Maguire, Joseph	Turner, Charles Osborn
Curry, Francis Isaac	Rawson, Julien Addison	Wayman, Willard Gross
Humphreys, Ervin Decius	Thompson, Wm. Howard	Williams, John Henry—10.
McKibben, Thomas		

MADISON LODGE, No. 23.

Grass Valley, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

John Willard Relley, <i>Master</i> ,	John Phillips, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Gordon Hudson, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Phillips Oliver, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Theodore Henry Wilhelm, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Peter Johnston, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Kenyon Spencer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	David Binkleman, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
George Washington Hill, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Henry Vogalman, }
Edward Houston Whiting, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

William McCormick,	Charles Osborne Taylor,	Reuben Leach,
Alex. Buchanan Brady,	Edward Coleman,	Edmund Wilson Roberts,
John Crisp Coleman,	Alphonso Morehouse,	John Willard Relley.
William Coombe, (1st)	Athanasius Pryor,	

MASTER MASONS :

Ahlgren, Carl Gustaf	Granger, Samuel	Palmountain, John
Anderson, Robert	Gribble, John	Parkin, John
Andrew, Joel	Halsell, Thomas	Pears, Joseph
Andrews, James	Hand, William	Peterson, Andrew Gustaf
Angove, John	Hand, William Henry	Polglase, John
Barker, Charles	Harris, Stephen Michael	Ponton, Thomas
Beaman, Geo. Washington	Harris, William David	Price, Brisco Hugh
Berg, Alfred	Hooper, James	Provis, William
Berriman, Nicholas	Husom, Andrew	Rhatigan, John
Biggs, William	Johnston, John	Roberts, Phillip William
Bonniviert, Pascal Joseph	Jones, Robert	Roche, Gabriel
Body, Wm. Christopher Dart	Jones, William C.	Roland, Louis Jerome
Bray, Phillip	Julian, Humphrey	Rose, Jas. Wm. Tecumseh
Bryan, David	Kemp, Robert	Rowe, James Thomas
Bryan, Powhattan	Kendig, Daniel	Sanders, John
Bryant, William Henry	King, Cyrus	Saxton, Edward
Buckett, Thomas	Land, Thomas Reese	Saxton, James
Burnie, Alexander	Lawrence, John	Scadden, Henry
Caddy, Richard	Leech, Charles	Scott, Harrison
Clift, William	Long, Stephen	Silvester, Henry
Clough, Jonathan Converse	Lord, George	Stevenston, John
Coombe, William (2d)	Loutzenheiser, William	Stoddard, Alexander
Cooper, Arthur	Majors, John Newton	Stoddard, Walter Scott
Crocker, John Ross	McAnally, Richard	Synpson, Charles
Crowell, Charles Henry	McCook, David	Sweet, Hiram Henry
Dibble, Alfred Barrett	McCook, Robert	Thomas, Stephen
Dorsey, John Jacob	Mitchell, Charles Henry	Thompson, John Burns
Dorsey, Samuel Packwood	Mitchell, Thomas John	Tompkins, Edward Alex.
Dunston, William	Mitchell, William Henry	Triwen, George Charles
Edwards, Joseph	Morgan, Geo. Fred. Edwin	Tuttle, Daniel
Erb, John Benjamin	Morgan, William Griffiths	Uphoff, Herman
Eva, James	Nicholas, Henry	Vincent, George
Evans, Thomas	Noel, James Clymo	Walker, Thomas Rolla
Farrell, John Henry	Noonan, Patrick	Werry, Peter
Fricot, Jules	Novitzky, Henry	Williams, Richard
Fuchs, Henry	Novitzky, Simon	Williams, William Henry
Gad, Bernard	O'Connor, Miles Power	Willson, John Peter
Gluyas, James	Oliver, Richard	Young, John—136.
Gluyas, James Luke		

RESTORED:

Roberts, Edmund Wilson—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Gill, William

Rogers, Jonathan Washington

Vosding, John—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Boston, Wm. Washington

Lockwood, Justus Wheeler

Peck, Wesley

Carson, George

Meek, John David

Smith, Charles Woolsen—6.

DIED:

Burnett, John

Stephens, Henry Randal

Watt, William—4.

Musgrove, Richard

MARIPOSA LODGE, No. 24.**Mariposa, Mariposa County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Lewis Fuller Jones, <i>Master</i> ,	Thomas James Smith, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Franklin Coffman, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	George Howard Knight, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Henley Robinson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Hermann Schlageter, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Calvin Eldridge Farnsworth, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Baptiste Godano, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
George Washington Temple, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Joseph Lind, }
Carl Gustave Lind, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Edwin Moore,	George Washington Temple,	Lewis Fuller Jones.
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MASTER MASONS:

Aeilkema, Benjamin Davis	Gonzales, Manuel	Monroe, John
Armstrong, James	Goucher, George Gelette	Potthast, Frank
Barnett, James	Harris, Charles	Regan, William
Clark, Joseph	Jenkins, James Charman	Ridgway, Josephus Hend'n
Cocking, James	Johnson, George	Shelley, Joseph
Cook, John Jay	Jones, Lewis Newman	Snyder, John Washington
Coop, Green	King, Samuel Aiken	Streeter, Jarvis
Counts, George	Mathews, John	Uren, Simon
Davanay, Hugh	Miller, George Sinclair	Weiler, John
Duncan, John Perry	Miller, Joseph Henry	Westfall, Joel J.—42.

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Coffman, John Weston	McCaffrey, George	Westfall, Sampson Wesley
Henwood, Joseph Donel		—4.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Breen, Patrick Henry	Williams, Thomas P.	Washburn, Alfred Henry—3.
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DIED:

Hesler, John (F. C.)—1.

GEORGETOWN LODGE, No. 25.**Georgetown, El Dorado County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

George Washington Simpser, <i>Master</i> ,	William Alvin Bucknam, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Theophilus Lebouf, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Louis White, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Fullerton White, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Tinsley Burton Epps, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Elijah Harper Watson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Angelo Forni, }
Isaac Grinnell Swift, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Lewis Lane Myers, }
John Paul Jones Davison, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

John Paul Jones Davison,	William Roush,	Henry Warren Russell,
Ellison Lassell Crawford,	John Wade,	Edwin R. Pease.

MASTER MASONS:

Berry, Solomon Adams	Grenell, William Henry	McKenney, John
Bucknam, Magnus Janson	Hanson, Sanford	McKusick, Harrison Johnson
Carter, John Elliott	Haun, Andrew	Pedrini, Massimino
Doncaster, Samuel	Hirsch, Samuel Prosper	Pinney, Henry Addison
Dotta, Lodovico	Hunter, Geo. Washington	Ricci, Felice
Downs, John Loller	Husk, William Durell	Saucerman, Samuel
Dunahoo, Wm. Washington	Jackson, Isaac Priestly	Shephard, Benj. Franklin
Filippini, Rinaldo	Jones, Edwin Thomas	Stanley, Hartwell Barnam
Fortune, William	Kunkler, John Ernest	Walker, Adolph Henry
Gay, Robert	Lane, William Henry	Wilson, James St. Clair—48.
Gibbs, William Thomas	Lee, Alex. Thompson	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Farnsworth, John Franklin—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Spencer, Willis Eugene—1.

DIED:

Goen, Noah Hale—1.

EL DORADO LODGE, No. 26.

Placerville, El Dorado County.

Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Albert Jay Lowry, <i>Master</i> ,	Isaac Leffler Miller, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Andrew Jackson Kennedy, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	John Pascoe, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Oliver Coffin, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Frederick Ferdinand Barss, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Augustus Mierson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Eli Herrill, }
Charles Caleb Peirce, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Peter Vignaut, }
	Charles John Arvidsson, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Frederick Ferdinand Barss,	George Franklin Mack,	Albert Jay Lowry.
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MASTER MASONS:

Alderson, George	Dickson, John W. Bushnell	Miller, John Wesley
Alderson, Thomas	Duncan, Albert Henry	O'Brien, James Garlin
Ashcroft, Henry	Elken, Albert	O'Neil, Joseph
Avansino, Nicola	Eva, John	Partridge, Fred. Leonard
Ballard, Jno. Quincy Adams	Fink, John	Plumado, Francis Hilaire
Barlow, Geo. Washington	Flansberg, Philo	Prideaux, Henry
Benninger, Samuel	Forbes, Pliny Fisk	Prideaux, William
Blanchard, Geo. Granville	Ford, Simeon Jasper	Ralph, Thomas
Bonython, James	Gateman, Henry	Reed, Caleb
Bouldan, Thomas	Gelwicks, Daniel William	Rogers, William
Briggs, Lewis Madison	Gorski, Severin	Tagtmeier, Frederick
Broad, Charles	Hawley, Asa Hershel	Teague, Francis
Broad, James	Hopkins, Lemuel B.	Thompson, Geo. Washington
Carr, Nelson	Jackson, George Longley	Vernon, William Patrick
Cartheche, John	Kemphthorn, John Hooper	Ward, Thomas
Cleese, John Peter	Mason, Benjamin Dorsey	Weyman, William—62.
Combellaek, John	Miller, Daniel Rice	

DIED:

Kirk, John

Lucas, George Phillips—2.

TRINITY LODGE, No. 27.

Weaverville, Trinity County.

Stated Meetings, last Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Wiley James Tinnin, <i>Master</i> ,	Alfred Harvey, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Harvey, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Henry Bremer, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Bower Jumper, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Champion W. Smith, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Otto Vollmers, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Spencer Lowden, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Morris Franklin Griffin, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Jacob Barnickel, }
Charles John Augustus Goering, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

John Clifton Mason,	Wiley James Tinnin,	John William Philbrook.
John McMurry,	Ole Christian Christiansen,	

MASTER MASONS:

Bates, Fordyce	Harvey, Charles	Musser, John
Black, Peter Paterson	Harvey, Henry	Paulsen, Jacob
Campbell, Alex. William	Harvey, Nicholas	Paulsen, Peter
Cummings, James	Hass, Gottlieb Frederick	Personette, Moses William
Cass, Charles Lucien	Hays, Hiram Bennett	Pickett, James Madison
Dennenbrink, Conrad	Hosmer, Nelson	Price, Archibald Graham
Diener, Gottlieb Frederick	Howland, Daniel	Raab, Louis
Dyer, John William	Hupp, William Irvin	Reed, Benjamin Hayden
Essec, Belty	Irwin, John Gwin	Rowles, James
Fisher, John Stuart	Killens, Richard	Ruch, William
Flagg, Jacob Redding	Leavitt, Franklin Dana	Schall, Louis
Flowers, Ellis	Leonard, William Henry	Smiley, John Wesley
Given, William Cushing	Lowden, Marshall Horace	Timmerman, Louis
Goetz, William Henry	Martin, Henry (1st)	Van Matre, George
Grady, John Fitzgerald	Martin, Henry (2d)	Van Matre, Peter
Guthrie, William	Martin, Henry S.	Wells, Richard Brown
Hackett, George J.	Miller, Thomas Love	Wood, Joel Chilton
Hansen, Dutleff	Mortimer, George	Wilt, Henry Cunningham
Harden, David		—70.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Anderson, Alexander—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Swift, Edward Dexter—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Osthoff, John Henry—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Anderson, Rob't Lawrence	Lobdell, Charles	Whitebread, Adolph—4.
Faubel, Henry		

DIED:

Earl, Alberto Rudolpho

Thompson, Richard Green—2.

COLUMBIA LODGE, No. 28.

Columbia, Tuolumne County.

*Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Gideon Wing, <i>Master</i> ,	Louis Forsterling, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Kennedy McLeod, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	John Stewart, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Paul Bixel, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Jolly, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Henry Sevening, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Daniel Dimond,
William Henry Ryan, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Walfrid Victor Ahlberg,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Reister, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Jehn Beach Carter,	William Henry Ryan,	Gideon Wing.
Stephen Wing,		

MASTER MASONS:

Andross, Mos. Chamberlain	Fuller, Munroe James	Parsons, Charles Hicks
Biddle, Amos	Hale, George Webb	Parsons, Edmond
Bullerdieck, Albert	Hall, Merritt Jordan	Raymond, Van Rensselaer
Byrd, Francis Jahew	Haskell, Geo. Henry Hedge	Rinquette, Eli Hillary
Calhoun, Henry Clay	Jarvis, Leon'd Fitz Edward	Ruh, Adam
Cavis, Joseph Mills	Klein, Conrad	Schuler, Henry
Cunningham, Rob't And'son	Krause, Wilhelm	Skinner, Edward
Duchow, John Charles	Lewis, Moses Allen	Sleeper, William Osgood
Faber, George	McKenzie, Daniel	Winne, George—41.
Fuchs, John		

WITHDRAWN:

Whitby, Freeborn Garrison—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bell, George, Phelps, Wilson—2.

GOLDEN GATE LODGE, No. 30.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

*Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Henry Fox Stivers, <i>Master</i> ,	John Charles Wilson, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Slade Anthony Earle, Jr., <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Stephen Baldwin Miller, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Telfer Scott, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Patterson, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Calvin Hale Wetherbee, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alexander Morrison,
Adolphus Augustus Hobe, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Edward Henscheldey Hanson,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
John D'Arcy, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

William Schuyler Moses,	Adolphus Augustus Hobe,	William Stebbins Bowne,
George John Hobe,	James Byron Dobbie,	James Henry Skelly,
William Sydney Phelps,	James Patterson,	Samuel Hervey,
Hiram Throop Graves,	Samuel Henry Kent,	Samuel Graves,
Thomas Bigley,	John Osborne Doane,	Anson Samuel Ferris.
Edw'd Mortimer Cottrell,	Thomas Robb Henshelwood,	

MASTER MASONS:

Ackerman, Chas. Herman	Forsyth, George Cameron	Müller, Louis
Aitken, James	Freese, Andrew Christian	Nightingale, John
Andersen, Charles	Fuller, William Palmer	Nugent, John
Anderson, Matthew A.	Fulton, John Alexander	Nutson, Charles Andrew
Applegarth, William	Garratt, Benj. Franklin	O'Connor, Thomas Michael
Bain, John	Garratt, Joseph	Owens, John
Barclay, David	Gates, Israel William	Owens, John Broome
Battams, William	Gerhow, Frederick	Parker, Frank Spofford
Beesley, George Satchwell	Girvan, Charles	Parks, John
Belcher, Robert Hall	Girzikowsky, William	Patterson, John William
Berry, Richard	Griffiths, Thomas Hamblin	Paul, Albert Henry
Black, Henry Melvin	Hacker, Edward	Pearce, Henry Martin
Blyth, Henry	Hague, Charles John	Peeples, Eugene
Boole, William Augustus	Hawkes, John Henry	Peters, John Henry
Borthwick, Charles	Hawkins, Joseph Peter	Peterson, Soren Baltzer
Brewster, William	Hedley, John	Phelps, Augustus Eliphalet
Brickwedel, Henry	Hencken, Martin	Price, Charles John
Bright, Robert	Henrix, Edward	Raphael, Robert
Brown, John (2d)	Hetherington, Henry	Ratz, Jeremias William
Brown, Stephen Godfrey	Hogeboom, Law. Vosburg	Raymond, David
Bryant, James Edward	Holmes, George Alexander	Redfield, Francis Sherman
Buddington, Moses Jones	Hubbard, Normand Asa	Reed, Chas. Ed. Hodgkins
Bulger, Martin	Hubbs, Anthony	Reed, James
Bullen, Tupper	Hughes, George	Reynolds, Edw'd Blessington
Bulson, John	Ingalls, John Newton	Robinson, Richard Gregory
Bunker, James Andrew	Jacobson, John Herman	Ross, Daniel
Byrnes, William Andrew	Joliffe, William Howard	Ross, Daniel W.
Cairns, John Thorburn	Jones, Taliasin Thos. Lloyd	Rowell, Samuel
Cameron, Daniel	Kauce, Francis	Sandeman, Wm. Creelman
Campbell, Robert	Kelly, Caius Pliny	Sanders, John Peter
Carroll, Martin	Kihn, John Fred. Herman	Satchwell, John
Castle, Albert Edward	King, John	Schoder, Joseph
Churchward, James	Kluge, Emile Gottfried	Seaman, George M.
Cordé, Frank	Knight, John Harvey	Seymour, Alfred Collins
Corno, Paul	Knipe, Thomas John	Shives, Alexander
Craig, Peter	Kustel, Alexis Odilo	Simpson, John
Davidson, Walter Park	Lemon, James Hutcheon	Simpson, William
Deacon, William	Little, William Tell	Smith, Charles Ward
Deal, David	Lucas, Daniel	Smith, Francis Mullen
Deckar, Charles Mangus	Mackie, Peter	Smith, Jacob Morton
Dengler, Philip	Mannie, Emmett Marcell	Smith, John
Dicus, William Henry	Marcucci, Domingo	Smith, William Mangus
Dunker, Ernst	Martin, William Joseph	Snook, Robert Edward
Edwards, Frank George	Matthews, Henry	Springer, Jason
Ehman, Robert	McKibbin, William	Stratman, John
Elliott, Henry	McKinnon, Archibald	Swan, Andrew Crawford
Everding, John	McLeod, Angus	Thompson, Hans Andrew
Fairweather, Julian	McLeod, James	Thornhill, Joseph
Fake, George John	Merrill, Thomas	Traunge, Louis
Fancher, Ira	Meyer, John Conrad	Trewavas, John
Field, Hampton Ebenezer	Middleton, Frank	Turner, Matthew
Flood, James Clair	Miller, Chas. Wilhel. Joach.	Van Duzer, Oliver
Foord, James	Morgan, John A.	Vorrath, Christian Charles

Wallace, Thomas	Wenzell, William Theodore	Wilson, Charles (2d)
Walmsley, William Wallace	Wheeler, Jacob	Wilson, Charles William
Weaver, Dwight Smith	White, David Walker	Worden, James Barculo
Wells, William	Wilson, Charles (1st)	—196.

ENTERED APPRENTICE ;

Wilson, John Andrew—1.

RESTORED:

Gawley, William Havens Jones, Taliasin Thomas Lloyd—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Bering, John Pearson Chaplin, George Morris Vollers, Henry—3.

DIED :

Gawley, William Havens O'Brien, William Smith—2.

MOKELUMNE LODGE, No. 31.

Mokelumne Hill, Calaveras County.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Russell Fairbanks McCarty, <i>Master</i> ,	Francis Henry Day, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Northrop Griggs, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Ellis Low, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Calvin Asbury, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Samuel Charter Peek, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Thomas Peters, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph O'Neill, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Wesley Kennon Boucher, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles Hoerchner, }
Crawford Allen Bryant, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Wesley Kennon Boucher,	Thomas Peters,	Russell Fairbanks McCarty.
James Megaw,	Joseph O'Neill,	

MASTER MASONS:

Champion, John	Hoey, John Lewis	Parrish, Charles Loren
Davidson, Louis	Jennings, Caesar	Rechenbach, Ferdinand
Dunstane, Thomas	Lindsay, Julius Alexander	Schweyer, Bernard
Edwards, David Bartlett	Nellis, William	Talmage, Christ'r Columbus
Fairchild, Daniel	Page, Lewis	Wolters, John Dietrick
Gradwohl, Meyer		—28.

RESTORED:

Hoey, John Lewis Rechenbach, Ferdinand Talmage, Chris. Col'mb's—3.

GOLD HILL LODGE, No. 32.

Lincoln, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Edmund Jones Sparks, <i>Master</i> ,	Chris. Columbus Sanders, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Striplin, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Chris. Henry Hoppert, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Galusia Gray, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Burrill Harper, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Ingram, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Albert Carlyle Fleming, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Isaac Stonecipher, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Bailey Robinson, }
John Haenny, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Isaac Stonecipher,	Mahlon Waldron,	James Edgar Young.
Thomas Burrill Harper,		

MASTER MASONS :

Briggs, Henry	Garcelon, Charles Clarke	Nash, Lorenzo Dow
Bulens, John Louis	Guthrie, James Frank	Pratt, Jonathan Davis
Chamberlain, Thomas Lee	Harry, John	Richardson, Oliver Perry
Chandler, Augustus Lemuel	Larkin, George	Roberts, William Ewing
Cleland, James Henry	Logan, Samuel	Robinson, John Newton
Crosby, Josiah Chase	Maguire, John Francis	Vogt, Jacob—32.
Ewing, Titus Stephen		

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Chapman, James Albert	Kinkade, Joseph Calvin	Noyes, Charles—3.
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WITHDRAWN:

Alexander, Nathan	Curtis, Henry Chittenden—2.
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OPHIR LODGE, No. 33.**Murphy's, Calaveras County.***Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

George Lewis True, <i>Master</i> ,	William Larkin, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Milo Terry, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Frank Benjamin Marshall, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Cornelius Tatton, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Cain Niles, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Riley Senter, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Dodd Thomas, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Henry Barnes, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Antonio Gagliardo, }
Thomas Prothero, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

William Henry Barnes,	Geo. Lewis True.
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MASTER MASONS :

Angove, Jeremiah	Demartini, Angelo	Ross, George Anthony
Brice, James Thomas	Heywood, Abel	Ross, Robert Hall
Carley, Joseph	Leizza, John	Shannon, James
Cox, Thomas Evans	Mauretson, Jonas Christian	Sharp, Samuel
Cutting, Page	Mull, Eli	Shaw, Alfred
Davies, James Sydenham	Reese, Frederick	Thorpe, Horace Edson
Davis, Ansil	Ross, Elias Elam	Zivley, Jas. Alexander—32.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Ohlstrom, Peter Frederic—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Housell, John Michel Andrew—1.

RESTORED :

Heiden, Andrew—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Heiden, Andrew—1.

SANTA CLARA LODGE, No. 34.

Santa Clara, Santa Clara County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Robert Menzel, <i>Master</i> ,	Hugh Mackay, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Andrew Finley McAfee, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Henry Brother, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Lowery, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Melvin Lawrence Gruwell, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Cary Peebles, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Benjamin Thomas Stinson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Edward Robinson Painter, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Hermann Schoene, }
Charles Lester Fisher, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Parker Butterfield Holmes, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Dennis Willey Herrington,	Emmon Taylor Starr,	James Allen Shoemaker.
William Benj. Kingsbury,	Parker Butterfield Holmes,	

MASTER MASONS:

Arnold, James Madison	Gummer, Samuel Plant	McComas, Rush
Bachant, Louis	Gunn, Smith Rubin	McWilliams, James
Barton, Thomas Clarkson	Groves, William	Moore, Alfred
Bowen, Alfred	Hancock, John Joseph	Murphy, John Henry
Bradbury, Elisha Cole	Haynes, Aaron Jefferson	Ong, Jackson Washington
Carrow, Giles Harrison	Hopkins, Isaiah Litler	Parr, William Johnson
Cook, Joseph Wheeler	Johnson, Samuel William	Roberts, John Jackson
Cutler, Hobert Nelson	Kerrick, Samuel Martin	Squires, William Whitney
Dickson, John	Laine, Thomas Henry	Vandine, Eben
Elliott, George Austin	Levy, Samuel	Warren, Andrew Temple
Gabriel, Ferdinand William	Lillick, Henry	—48.

WITHDRAWN:

Boone, William Dechart	Dobbins, Hugh Hollis	Gairaud, Louis—4.
Brown, Charles Louis		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bourguignon, Aug. Silvine	Jacquist, John Peterson	Smith, Stephen
Freeman, Mathew Thoni	Pendegrast, Charles Jeff.	Withrow, Woodward Warwick
		—6.

DIED:

Cook, John—1.

SAN DIEGO LODGE, No. 35.

San Diego, San Diego County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

John Waldo Thompson, <i>Master</i> ,	Simon Levi, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Wallace Bowers, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Samuel Eason Patton, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Henfrey Simpson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Augustus Begole, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Ephriam Weed Morse, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Leland Howard Plaisted, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Kenneth John Ware, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Mifflin Dannals, }
	Walter Bennett, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Marcus Schiller,
Solon William Craigue,

William Augustus Begole,
John Milton Clark,

Frederick Nye Pauly.

MASTER MASONS:

Ackerson, Edgar Jerome
Asher, Josephus Marion
Barney, James Mitchell
Bass, John Duncan
Bradt, Garrett Garreon
Bratton, Samuel Howard
Bundy, Thomas
Bushyhead, Ed. Wilkinson
Capron, John Garfield
Cave, Daniel
Collier, William Bell
Conklin, Norman Henry
Coyne, Joseph
Crawford, Joseph Ury
Deleval, Charles
Dunnells, Samuel Sumner
Fairchilds, John Anthony
Feick, George
Fenn, Charles Merwin
Foss, David Richardson
Foster, George Simpson

Gifford, Eli Bruce
Gilbert, Alfred Hyde
Gordon, James Stuart
Hauck, Louis
Hooker, Joseph Blunt
Horton, Alonzo Erastus
Hylund, Charles John
Ihlstrom, Lewis John
Jaeger, Louis John Fred'k
Johnson, David Alexander
Johnson, Edward Alex.
Julian, Archibald Heuston
Klauber, Abraham
Knight, Augustus John
Knowles, Amos Pendleton
Lawrey, Frank Edward
Lowell, Fred. Benson
Luce, Moses Augustine
Mannasse, Joseph Samuel
McGurck, Edward

Mechling, Jacob Jefferson
Miller, Charles Frederick
Mumford, John Valentine
Pierce, James Mason
Rea, Robert
Sargent, Benjamin Sears
Schneider, Arnold
Sloane, Joshua
Spinelli, Peter Marius
Stewart, William Wallace
Storey, William Henry
Switzer, Ephraim Daniel
Tomeney, Peter Patrick
Wallace, Albert Osborne
Ward, Jerome Lemuel
Watson, Charles C.
Witfield, Gustavus
Wolfsheimer, Charles
Woodson, Marshal Clay
Wright, Ralph Leon—76.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Ewing, William B.

Stratton, James—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Burkhart, John Baltzel Gale, William Monroe Wincapaw, Robert Washburn—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Cox, Ivy Henderson—1.

DIED:

Englehardt, John G.—1.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 37.**Yreka, Siskiyou County.**

Stated Meetings, first Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

John Pashburg, *Master*,
Theobold Young, *Senior Warden*,
Andrew Edward Schwatka, *Jun. Warden*,
Maurice Renner, *Treasurer*,
Robert Oscar DeWitt, *Secretary*,

William Watson Powers, *Senior Deacon*,
Jacob Hansen, *Junior Deacon*,
Alonzo Emery Raynes, *Marshal*,
Francois Dumas, } *Stewards*,
Morgan Pipes, }

Nicolais Young, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Manasseh Sleeper,
John Pashburg,

Curtis Hooper Pyle,
Samuel Strother Williams,
John Vance Brown,
Edward Donaghy.

MASTER MASONS:

Barber, Benjamin	Huseman, Louis Const'tine	Richards, John
Best, William	Kegg, John	Saxild, John
Brown, Morell Clay	Lee, William	Shaft, Orville
Climper, John Christian	Merrick, Dennis	Shattuck, Silas
Cole, Byron	Morgan, Evan	Southworth, Thos. Benton
Davis, Henry Levy	Peck, Sanford C.	Spengler, Charles
Davis, Jesse Francis	Pellet, Samuel	Spengler, Frederick
Egbert, Henry	Radford, Henry Charles	Stine, William
Ellis, Isaac Hughes	Reading, Robert	Terry, George Thomas
Fox, James William	Richards, Evan	Vetterlein, Charles—46.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Ball, Edgar

Miller, John—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Crawford, John Emerson

Lang, Joseph

Tickner, Henry Langford—3.

SANTA CRUZ LODGE, No. 38.

Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Frederick Adams, <i>Master</i> ,	Louis Schwartz, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Amner, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Oscar Jay Walser, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Swift West, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Richard Moses Garratt, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Werner, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Richard Williams, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Frederick William Lucas, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Felix Coblentz, }
Bernhard Weis, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

James Fitz-James Bennett,	Richard Kilbe Vestal,	Frederick William Lucas,
Frederick Elsworth Bailey,	Samuel Barnet,	Frederick Adams.
George Keating Porter,		

MASTER MASONS :

Abraham, Gust's Anthony	Cummings, David John	Folsom, Cathers Drummond
Anderson, Charles Louis	Cummings, William Nelson	Foreman, Steph. Whittaker
Anderson, William Walker	Curtis, Leonard	Francis, Willard Hall
Bartlett, Samuel Arnold	Darling, Barber	Gafford, Tillotson Homer
Batchelder, Chas. Perkins	Daubenbiss, John	Gilchrist, Adam
Bias, William Henry	Davis, Calvin Withington	Gordon, Oscar Leonard
Bowman, Edward	DeLamater, Guysbert B. V.	Groome, Thomas Brooks
Brown, Elijah	Doane, Handy Bushnell	Hall, Richard Harrison
Brown, George	Donnels, Thomas	Handy, Forrest Nelson
Burk, Nathan	Douglass, John	Hazen, Edward Adams
Burgess, Malachi Dayl	Drennan, Samuel	Hecox, Adna Andress
Burnham, Geo. Chauncey	Ely, William	Hinds, David
Canney, Fox Eli James	Ennor, John Martin	Hinds, Peter Richmond
Chace, John Day	Fischer, Anton	Hoit, John Mack
Cooper, Frank	Fitch, Edwin	Holmes, Stillman

Jones, Albert	Patten, Christ'r Von Der	Steen, Jacob
Kent, William Frederick	Perkey, Frederick George	Staeffler, George
Kenville, James	Philbrook, Alonzo King	Steinmetz, Charles
Kilburn, Fred'k Augustus	Place, George Washington	Swanton, Albion Paris
Kirkpatrick, Chas. Thomas	Porter, Benjamin Franklin	Thurber, Henry
Lynch, Sedgwick James	Porter, Frank Ford	Trefry, Job Hatfield
Makinney, Hamp'n Emmett	Porter, William Ray	Vass, George
Markham, Levant	Pray, Amasa	Wellington, Edward
Martin, Chas. Christopher	Prewett, James Levy	West, James Edward
McAdams, Joseph Yarmans	Prince, George Washington	Williams, Edward Laurence
McKenzie, Archibald	Pyatt, Charles Wesley	Willis, Ellery
McKiernan, Charles	Remnant, George	Wing, Albert Hartwell
Menifee, Frank George	Sayles, Mowry	Winkel, Henry
Meserve, Alvin Rand	Schroeder, Charles	Wilson, Oscar Paulett
Mette, Charles Anthony	Smith, John James	Wilson, James Angus
Moulton, John Bisbe	Smith, John Morgan	Wright, Francis Marion
Nichols, Urial Schermer'orn	Soper, John	—111.

RESTORED :

Anthony, George—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Anthony, George

Patterson, John Rice

Thompson, William—3.

YUBA LODGE, No. 39.

Marysville, Yuba County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Thomas Hugh Steel, <i>Master</i> ,	George Martin Fronk, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Spencer Depuy, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Jeremiah Andrew Saul, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Oscar Titus Basney, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	George Breading Easton, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Joseph Lask, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Ernest Briceno Thompson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Thomas Hugh Kernan, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Philip Hortop, }
Thomas Weston Kent, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Amasa Maurice,	Charles E. Stone,	Andrew Jackson Binney,
Charles Raish,	Charles Milton Patterson,	Abner Wood Torrey,
Andrew Middlemas Shields,	James Thomas Dickey,	Thomas Hugh Steel.

MASTER MASONS :

Arnold, Thomas Jefferson	Crist, George Frederick	Gear, George
Arp, Henry	Cory, Perry	Gianella, Vincenzo
Aubrey, Albert William	Covillaud, Charles Julian	Heath, James
Ayer, Leonard Barnard	Downie, George	Hogle, William Henry
Batchelder, Adoniram Jud'n	Eastman, James Fred.	Hutchins, Gavin Walker
Blanchard, Daniel Merrill	Earnshields, Victor Lewis	Hyde, Henry Ferdinand
Bradley, Samuel Henry	Fay, Edward	Knaugh, Joshua
Briggs, Benjamin Bennett	Featherly, Mathew Thomas	Ladoo, Peter
Buttelman, Frederick	Fisher, Amos	Lefavor, William Franklin
Creps, William Albert	Fox, Daniel Diffenbaugh	Lincoln, Louis

Lockwood, Ebenezer Jay	Neal, George Washington	Stokes, William Charles
Logan, Anderson Dabney	Peffer, John	Stone, William Frederick
Marker, Henry Bowman	Prickett, Samuel Enos	Stratton, Cornelius Allen
Marston, Carroll Edward	Redfield, Oscar Fitzallan	Thom, David, Jr.
Masterman, William Henry	Rhey, Edward	Townsend, H'y Roy Dunham
Mathews, James Henry	Rooney, Joseph Henry	Weber, Paul
McClintock, William	Sabel, George Adam	Wheelock, John Dexter
McDonald, George	Seaward, Thomas	White, Asher Burdett
Meek, Emerson Emmett	Slingsby, William	Wightman, Avery Isaac
Millar, Robert	Spear, Andrew Potter	Wilcoxon, Thos. Hart Benton
Millar, Thomas Boyd	St. John, Enos Frost	Williams, Cornelius—82.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Buckelew, Wm. Clayton	Peacock, George Warren	Smith, Francis Edwin
Morris, John Street		—4.

WITHDRAWN:

Hunter, Enos Clark—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Daggett, Daniel Olaas	Summerland, Theodore	Vansickle, Egbert Eldridge
		—3.

DIED:

Briggs, John Gregg	Schriber, Frederick—2.
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SACRAMENTO LODGE, No. 40.

Sacramento, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS :

John T. Griffiths, <i>Master</i> ,	Christian Zimmerman, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Cornelius Kellogg, <i>Senior Warden</i> .,	Joseph Davey, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Edmund Clemment Atkinson, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Thomas Ross, }
William Monroe Petrie, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Christian Nelson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Benjamin Kniffen Plumb, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Arnold Heymen, <i>Organist</i> ,
Hubert Moor Blackwell, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,	
Peter Zacharias, (of Union Lodge, No. 58,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

James Lawrence English,	Joseph Scott,	Hubert Moor Blackwell,
William Franklin Knox,	Geo. Howard Winterburn,	Joseph Davey,
Francis Foster,	James O'Neil,	John T. Griffiths.
Powell Samuel Lawson,	William Monroe Petrie,	

MASTER MASONS :

Acock, Thomas LaFayette	Bragg, Albert Leander	Cook, Michael Augustus
Aiken, Andrew	Bragg, Henry William	Crocker, Henry Smith
Allen, Robert	Brosius, Henry Conrad	Croly, Edward James
Ball, Thomas Duskin	Brown, John Quincy	Cummings, William
Barrows, George Allen	Chiperowsky, Max	Darwin, John
Beck, Robert	Clarke, Warren Emery	Davidson, Daniel
Bennett, Erastus Darwin	Colburn, James A.	Dayton, James White
Boyd, Thomas	Cook, Hiram	Denton, Charles Harrison

Dolan, Charles Patrick	Langstaff, William	Ross, David S.
Drew, Nathaniel Lafayette	Larue, Hugh McElroy	Schulp, John Peter
Dwyer, Michael	Locke, Geo. Washington	Scudder, Chas. Lawrence
Fish, Thomas	Lyon, Edward	Shields, Francis Marion
Foy, Frederick Matthias	Marcuse, Max	Siebenthaler, Philip
Gee, James	McClaghry, Samuel Carter	Sims, Joseph
Gillis, Dougald	McKenzie, Nicholas Beck	Smith, Frank Augustus
Givens, John Ely	McPherson, Benjamin Dyer	Smith, John William Martin
Hack, Henry Leonard	Megerle, Henry Charles	Snell, Chauncy Newell
Hagely, John	Merrill, John Francis	Snider, William Sherman
Hammer, Luther Kurtz	Miller, John Henry	Stanley, Leander
Hammond, Edwin	Miller, Peter Andrew	Stevens, Charles Henry
Harmon, Rufus Burnham	Mills, Edgar	Thurman, Isaac B.
Hart, John Henderson	Montgomery, Jos. Fontenoy	Truex, Jackson Calhoun
Hatch, James Darrow	Nathan, Solomon Jacob	Tryon, Sylvester
Hatch, Norman Vincent	Palmer, Hiram Jaurius	Turton, William
Heath, Josiah Ritch	Parsons, Everet Curtis	Vandenberg, Edward Levi
Hillier, Theodore	Perkins, Thomas Calley	Wallquist, Carl John
Himrod, James	Phillips, George	West, Wilson Bray
Himrod, Oliver William	Pierce, Andrew Dewight	White, Charles Swain
Holbrook, Charles	Pierson, Henry H.	Wickstram, Charles Edward
Holmes, Henry T.	Pitcher, Samuel Norris	Wilcoxson, Jefferson
Hunt, John Alexander	Pugh, Samuel Hutson,	Williams, William George
Irvine, Robert Cutrer	Reith, John	Wilson, William
Jenkins, George W.	Robertson, John	Withington, Richard Hall
Karcher, Matthew	Robinson, Robert	Wood, Matthew Newlin
Knowles, Charles Lounes	Ropes, Charles Franklin	—123.
Krebs, Charles Henry		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Guernsey, Amasa Allen—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Boyd, John Walter	Drake, Enos R.	Patton, DeWitt Clinton—5.
Chinnoek, James Thomas	Hopkins, Samuel A.	

WITHDRAWN:

Blackwell, Frederick Thomas	Gagnon, Alfred	Smith, Matthew J.—3.
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DIED:

Golden, Thomas	Sims, Samuel—2.
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MARTINEZ LODGE, No. 41.

Martinez, Contra Costa County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Lewis Cass Wittenmyer, <i>Master</i> ,	William Henry Buckley, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Griffin, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	George Smith Overfield, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Miles Hollenbeck, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John McGrath, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Morrill Hale, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alonzo Lamb Gartley, }
George Atwood Sherman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Simon Blum, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Thomas Allen Brown,
Lewis Cass Wittenmyer,
William Henry Buckley,

Warren Brown,
George J. Bennett,

William John Douglas
Isidor Weiss.

MASTER MASONS :

Baldwin, Barry
Baldwin, Edwin Selby
Bennett, Seeley James
Borach, Bernard
Bowen, Nathan Streeter
Carothers, James Henry
Carpenter, Alexander
Cook, Newton James
Dalton, Henry Morris
Edwards, Hugh Pugh
Fernandez, Bernardo
Fouch, John Franklin

Fraser, John Alexander
Gray, James
Guppy, Alonzo Russell
Hagy, Adam
Hickman, Samuel Brooking
Hook, William
Jones, Joseph Philip
Knox, George William
Mills, Hiram
Newberger, Solomon
Plath, John Herman
Potwin, George Seymore

Rhine, Charles
Russell, Hiram Smith
Sherman, Charles
Taylor, Kirk White
Tongis, Christopher
Troy, John Henry
Tucker, John
Turner, Benjamin Coffin
Walker, Arthur Richardson
Walker, James Tormay
Warburton, Samuel
Zieffer, Frank Joseph—51.

FELLOW CRAFTS :

Fassett, William

Harra, Henry A.—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Marsh, Joshua

Tinker, Douglas Bert

Ward, William—3.

WITHDRAWN :

Boyd, John Wheaton

Heacock, Thomas—2.

DIED :

Fraser, Daniel—1.

LOS ANGELES LODGE, No. 42.

Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Henry Sayre Orme, *Master*,
Ansell Mellen Bragg, *Senior Warden*,
Thomas Scally, *Junior Warden*,
Samuel Meyer, *Treasurer*,
Charles Smith, *Secretary*,

Michael Edward Ryan, *Senior Deacon*,
Henry Russell, *Junior Deacon*,
Andrew Henry Denker, *Marshal*.
Thomas Joseph Flanagan, } *Stewards*,
Herman Lowenstein, }

Herman Neidecken, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Samuel Prager,
Thomas Edwin Rowan,
Charles Prager,

Samuel Calvert Foy,
Wm. Henry Archibald Kidd, Henry Sayre Orme.

MASTER MASONS:

Baldwin, Leon McLeod
Baldy, Alexander Jordan
Bannon, Michael
Barrows, Henry Dwight
Beck, Samuel James
Bell, George Henry

Brown, Robert Rufus
Brunson, Anson
Buffum, William Mansfield
Butler, George Rawson
Carson, George
Caystile, Thomas

Cohn, Kaspare
Courtney, William
Downey, John Gately
Ducommon, Charles Louis
Eckert, Robert
Edgerton, Geo. Washington

Evans, John	Levy, Michel	Reynolds, John Jefferson
Fleishman, Hermann	Maricle, Abraham	Riverin, François
France, Jacob Francis	Mayer, John	Roth, Edmond
Furrey, William Cobbitt	McGregor, Chauncey M.	Sainsevain, John Louis
Gillooly, Laurence Burke	McLeod, Lemuel James	Satter, Anton
Goss, William Greenberry	Meyer, Eugene	Schneider, Jacob
Griffith, John McKim	Meyerstein, Henry	Simon, Bernard
Gross, Frederick	Michaelis, Marcus	Sittel, Caspar
Hammel, Henry	Miller, Henry George	Spence, Edward Fallis
Harris, Leopold	Morris, Julius Louis	Spratt, James W.
Hauch, Isaac	Morris, Moritz	Stamps, Pacific Nestor
Hellman, Isaias William	Newmark, Harris	Stockton, Wm. McDougall
Henderson, And. Jackson	Nichols, Emery J.	Strohm, Thomas
Hicks, John Davidge	Northcraft, William Henry	Switzer, Commodore Perry
Hobbs, William Alexander	Norton, Isaac	Thompson, Peter
Holmes, Arthur Child	Norton, Moses	Vignes, Vital Ferdinand
Jackson, John Eugene	Pearson, Rich'm Cornwallis	Wartenburg, Henry
Jackson, Robert Everett	Perry, William Hayes	Winston, John Browne
Jones, Gilman	Peschke, Frederick Wm.	Wittelshoeffer, Julius
Kalisher, Wolf	Porter, Theo. Cunningham	Woodworth, Wallace
Keller, Mathew	Portugal, Adolph	Workman, William Henry
Laventhal, Elias	Prediger, John George	Zimmerman, Jacob
Lelande, Peter		

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ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Davis, Alexander—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Braman, Joseph Balch	Cobler, Martin Allen	Mott, Stephen H. Dillingham
Burns, James Franklin	Hitchcock, Elijah Binford	Rendon, Alejo
Cahen, Solomon	Miller, John	Toberman, James Ralph—9.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Brooke, Samuel W.

Temple, Thomas Workman—2.

DIED:

Signoret, Felix—1.

HIRAM LODGE, No. 43.

El Dorado, El Dorado County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

John Burdis, <i>Master</i> ,	John Adolphus Fisher, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Yeadon, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Marion Selkirk Granger, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Geo. Washington Salmon, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Thomas Augustus Galt, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Benoit Samuel Hirsch, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Myers B. Wetherwax, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Charles Theofield Roussin, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Fletcher Cotton, }
Andrew Jackson Warf, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

David Edson Norton,	Charles Henry Theiss,	John Adolphus Fisher,
John Theisen,	William Henry Clark,	John Burdis.
Andrew Jackson Warf,	Thomas Augustus Galt,	

MASTER MASONS :

Bennett, Damascus	Green, Sidney Adelbert	Nichols, Jeremiah
Brown, John	Haas, John	Norton, Geo. Maurice
Carney, John	Hammell, Bradford	Richardson, Hez. Manning
Coblentz, Cerf	Hart, Oliver Perry	Schneider, John
Cocking, Stephen	Harvey, Richard Kent	Shanks, Charles
Condo, Cyrus	Henley, Andrew	Staples, Alpheus Dow
Cox, Joseph Francis	Kleiner, Frank Joseph	Teuteberg, Frederick
Curnow, Thomas	Litten, Arthur	Thompson, Edward
Davidson, Thomas	McCormack, James	Tripp, Stephen
Fleming, Peter	Miller, David Peter	Westover, Wm. Frederick
Graham, Levi Allen	Miller, Nicholas Swan	—47.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Gilmore, Nathan—1.

MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, No. 44.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Michael James Keating, <i>Master</i> ,	John Reynolds Gardner. <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Paul Gustavus Adolphus Seiler, <i>Sen. Ward</i> .	George Edward Jones, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Harvey Mathews, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Albert Solomon, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Werner Shaeffer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Morris White Davis, }
Charles Frederick Brown, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Edward M. Gallagher, }
	John Pennycook, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

George Crow Hickox,	William Gorham Doolittle,	Charles Frederick Brown,
John S. Davies,	Davis Louderback,	Miniss Cannon Edwards,
Charles Louis Wiggin,	Joseph Lippman,	Dan Joseph Edgar,
John Werner Shaeffer,	Michael James Keating,	Henry Mortimer Fiske,
Peter Short,	Aaron Lewis Chamberlin,	Robert Wilson Murphy,
Monroe Ashbury,	Robert Robinson Givens,	Peter Buck Nagle,
John Adam Russell,	Peter Wilkins Randle,	Benjamin Griffin Barney.
William David Johnston,		

MASTER MASONS :

Abrahamson, Peter	Betz, Johannés	Bullock, Boyd Kane
Ackley, Lyman	Bemis, Charles Cook	Bunker, Robert Frederick
Adler, Adolph	Bennett, Robert Hazlitt	Burke, Edmund William
Allen, William McCarthy	Bergson, Ole	Burke, William Gordon
Allen, William Russell	Bernstein, Solomon	Burkhead, William Norman
Armstrong, Benj. Franklin	Berry, Thomas Henry	Burnham, James William
Babcock, Benjamin Edwin	Blake, George Washington	Bush, Hyman Philip
Badger, William Gilman	Boruck, Marcus Derkheim	Carr, Edwin Wallace
Barnard, Frank	Boswell, Solomon Bailey	Cassell, John Francis
Barnes, Wm. Henry Linow	Bosworth, Henry Martin	Cevasco, Giovanni Battista
Bass, Thomas Jefferson	Brooks, William Parker	Chapman, Howard
Batchelder, Levi Leathers	Brown, John Bearcliff	Chassagne, Leon
Bates, Cicero McLean	Bruns, Nicholas	Cochrane, James Henry
Bell, Josiah	Bryan, Thomas	Cohn, Samuel

Collins, Charles James	Henning, Howard Hendrick	McCreery, Andrew
Congdon, Henry Bliss	Henrickson, Olaf	McDonald, Donald Augustus
Connelly, Francis Joseph	Herz, Cornelius	McKenna, Thomas Dillon
Conro, George Albert	Herz, Joseph	McKenzie, John Thomas
Cook, Peter	Heuer, Alexander	Mengel, John
Coutolenc, Jean Dom. Desiré	Heuer, Philip	Meyer, Marcus C.
Craig, Alexander	Higgins, Isaac Newton	Meyerfeld, Moses
Cullen, John Joseph	Higgins, James	Michael, Aaron
Cullins, George	Higgins, Stephen H.	Miller, Frederick H.
Currier, Amos	Hill, Edwin Potter	Miller, Milton Beach
Dahlman, Charles	Hoffman, Henry	Miller, Peter
Davis, George Emery	Holladay, Samuel W.	Milne, Alexander Osborne
Davis, Henry Laurens	Holmes, Charles Stewart	Mitchell, James
Decker, George	Holmes, James Gilmour	Mitchell, John Reid
Diez, Castro Cayetano	Holtz, Louis Frederick	Murch, Leonard Howe
Doane, Sharon Pratt	Homer, James Lord	Nagle, George Dedrich
Doering, Edmund Janes	Hotchkiss, Henry Wells	Noble, James McCaskey
Eaton, Frederick Ward	Hudson, Nelson	Norris, Albert
Edgar, William Matthews	Hughes, David	Nuttall, John
Eisenberg, Isidor	Hunt, John Henry	Ohnstein, Oscar Jul. Emil E.
Ellery, Epes	Hunter, James	Palache, Gilbert
Ellis, Joseph	Hyman, Presley Corbyn	Palmer, Edwin Campbell
Emery, Thomas	Ipswitch, John	Parker, William Henry
Emerson, John Augustus	Irelan, Samuel Boody	Pearce, William
Field, Nels Thoraldsen	Irving, Samuel	Peck, Philip
Field, Stephen Dudley	Jacobs, Albert	Peiser, Jacob
Fiex, John	Johnson, Henry	Pennie, James Crymes
Figel, Joseph	Johnson, Otto	Peterson, Jacob
Filkins, William	Johnson, William Corrie	Price, Thomas
Florine, Olof Nelson	Joseph, Isaac	Queen, Henry
Foster, Stephen Taylor	Kalloch, Isaac Smith	Radstone, Jacob
Foy, John James	Kessels, Augustus Edward	Raimond, Reuben Edgar
Frank, Gustave	King, Richard	Ramsdell, Benjamin Hatch
Frank, Emanuel Max	King, Robert Murray	Read, John Herbert
Franz, Bernhard	Kutz, Gabriel Marks	Redding, Michael
Freeman, Elisha	Ladd, George Solon	Reid, John Woods
Freiermuth, Hervey Weston	Ladd, Horace Comstock	Richards, David Matthews
French, Charles Henry	Laventhal, Samuel	Riley, Cornelius
Friedberg, Morris	Laws, John	Rollins, Warren Augustus
Galli, Alfonso	Leavitt, Walter Thomas	Ruggles, John Edward
Geist, William	Lebenbaum, Louis	Sack, John Christian
Gilman, Abijah M.	Lent, Silas	Sawyer, Charles Lewis
Goetz, Julius	Levy, Herman	Sawyer, Ebenezer Davis
Goldberg, Jacob	Litchfield, Watson Dyer	Schindler, Wm. Jacob Louis
Goodman, Theodore Henry	Littlefield, Sheldon	Schmidt, Valentine
Goslinsky, Elias	Lundt, Detleff Nicholas	Schroeder, Johann Louis
Gottschalk, Charles	Luther, Henry Alonzo	Searle, William
Gunn, William John	Lutz, Carl	Severance, Thos. Jefferson
Guthrie, Jonathan Bardick	Lux, Frederick	Shackleford, Thos. Jefferson
Harlow, James	MacCrellish, Frederick	Shafer, Henry
Harris, Alfred	Mangles, Martin	Sims, John Rowe
Harrison, Randolph	Marcellus, Edwin P.	Smith, Hezekiah
Hartshorn, Elbridge	May, William Bandman	Speyer, Walter
Hawley, Charles Augustus	Mayer, Simon	Steinman, Bernard
Hedberg, Alfred	McAllister, William Francis	Stephens, William Jenkin
Hellstrommer, Chas. Henry	McCraith, John	Stewart, Linas

Such, Francis Lundy	Vaughn, Hector William	Weyl, Jonas
Swain, Henry Clay	Voorman, Henry	White, Martin
Thompson, James	Von Schmidt, Alex. Walde'r	Wiggin, Benjamin Franklin
Torrence, John	Wade, Charles Howard	Wilson, Russell Jones
Tustin, William Isaac	Wakelee, Henry Peck	Woolley, Lell Hawley
Van Vlack, Gilbert James		—256.

FELLOW CRAFTS :

Edwards, Mitchell

Ozier, Alfred—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Funk, Christian Carl—1.

RESTORED:

Collins, Charles James

Palmer, Obed A.

Shafer, Henry—3.

WITHDRAWN:

Leonard, Cornelius

Tufts, James

Wise, Charles—5.

Palmer, Obed A.

Weil, Theodore

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Beadle, Donald

Miller, James Nelson

Peiser, Samuel

Cunningham, Thos, Stanley Montell, Francis Montague

Truett, George Frederick

Dennis, Samuel William

Neville, Ernest Harry

Tully, Patrick—10.

Dozier, Charles Thomason

DIED :

Molk, John Henry

Meisterlin, John—2.

CRESCENT LODGE, No. 45.

Crescent City, Del Norte County.

Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Edgar Mason, *Master,*John Ramey Nickel, *Senior Deacon,*James Brooking, *Senior Warden,*Alexander Fraser, *Junior Deacon,*Greenleaf Curtis, *Junior Warden,*Nicholas Tack, Jr., *Marshal,*Jacob Marhoffer, *Treasurer,*John Waller Reins, } *Stewards,*Dugald Stewart Sartwell, *Secretary,*

Eli Howland,

Albert Julius Ahrens, *Tyler.*

Past Masters:

Wm. Harrison Woodbury,

William Bleunt Mason,

Edgar Mason.

MASTER MASONS :

Bacon, Joseph Snowden

Jones, Martin Van Buren

Peveler, Peter Henry

Burr, Anson

Lake, Joseph Lincoln

Richards, Daniel Franklin

Coffman, William Cozby

Magruder, Elibius Nelson

Stone, Marion Pierce

Connor, John Joseph

Magruder, Etheldred Lundy

Tack, Nicholas

Donovan, James Stephen

Marhoffer, Joseph

Tryon, Dennis

Fischerman, August

McVay, Samuel Hutson

Vorlander, Ewald

Ford, Thomas

Meyer, Gottlieb

Wagner, Charles

Gardner, Charles Henry

Peacock, George Henry

Wall, Joseph George—38.

Harper, James

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Church, Edward Bentley Richards, Wm. Williams Ross, Edward D.
 Moore, Jonathan Smalley

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RESTORED :

Crook, Theron W.—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Crook, Theron W. Gardner, Stephen Brooks Snodgrass, Wm. Perdu—3.

TEXAS LODGE, No. 46.

San Juan, San Benito County.

Stated Meetings, second Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Charles Guy Cargill, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles Edward Mitchell, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Silas Watson Miles, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Mark Joseph Regan, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Newton Bigley, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Louis Scherrer,
Andrew Abbe, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Rosco Green Norton, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Joseph Ogden Heritage, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Peter Carles, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

James Francis Black,	Rosco Green Norton,	Charles Guy Cargill.
Charles Edward Mitchell,	Joseph Ogden Heritage,	

MASTER MASONS :

Baker, Albion	Canfield, Robert Walton	Reynolds, Ephriam Andress
Beger, Henry	Deacon, Thomas	Riley, Samuel Sands
Berry, Thaddeus Cordien	Flint, Benjamin	Ross, Benjamin Franklin
Breithbath, Julius	Flint, Thomas	Russell, Geo. Washington
Brotherton, Robert Henry	Guither, William	Sargent, James Petty
Brown, Aristippus	Kemp, Frederick William	Slaysman, Charles R.
Bullier, Leon	Miles, James	Willson, Dan
Burnett, William Fletcher	Onderkirk, Isaac	Wood, William James—35.

RESTORED :

Brotherton, Robert Henry—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Shaw, Thomas J.	Walker, Henry Greely—2.
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MICHIGAN CITY LODGE, No. 47.

Michigan Bluffs, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon,

OFFICERS :

Peter Nicolai Juergenson, <i>Master</i> ,	John Tickell, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Shore Montgomery, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Henry Williams, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Alexander Dolt, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Andrew Gunton Fuller, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Samuel Mitchell Huffaker, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Richard Rogers Hughes, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Warren Cassius Shain, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Goold Carlton Coker, }
James Burns, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Benjamin Dulaney Dunnam, Warren Cassius Shain, Peter Nicolai Juergenson.

MASTER MASONS:

Baker, Jehiel Hull	Halligan, Daniel Monroe	Sparks, William Henry
Bardwell, John Milton	Lewis, Robert	Stackhouse, Jas. Spaulding
Cameron, William	Locher, Francis Joseph	Swenson, Christian Severin
Christy, William	McCormick, James D.	Tracy, Perus Sprague
Cowan, Gordon Robinson,	Mutshler, John	Watkins, Cyrus
Darling, Eleazer Taylor	Parry, Evan	Weske, Adolph
Dearden, Robert	Ray, William Martin	Wiley, Walter
Develey, Henry Keynser	Smith, William	Williams, John
Elsworth, John Hinchcliffe	Sparks, Reuben Moore	Worsley, Alfred—40.
Griffith, Owen William		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Cronin, Michael

Edwards, Richard William—2.

FORBESTOWN LODGE, No. 50.**Forbestown, Butte County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

David Washington Braddock, <i>Master,</i>	John Dowell, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Norman Sill Williams, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Thomas Hitour Dodson, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
James Brooking, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Henry Sleight, <i>Marshal,</i>
Enoch Avery Emerson, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Andrew Jackson Catlett, <i>Stewards,</i>
Gaylord Smith Wilsey Toogood, <i>Secretary,</i>	John Frederick Schultz, <i>Stewards,</i>
Erastus Elliott, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters:

Wallace Homer Chappell, Samuel Thomas Bowers, Alex. Ellis Anderson.
Nathaniel Dunbar Plum,

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, John Emmet	Hill, George Washington	Rutter, James Warner
Banta, John Dill	Hurles, Smith Harrington	Ryant, Isaac Whitmore
Beik, Frederick	Kendall, Wm. Beauchamp	Slater, James
Bosworth, Horatio Foote	Lucos, John Concolves	Slater, Nicholas Weaver
Collins, John	Martin, Christopher	Smullin, Samuel N. D.
Conrad, Thomas Fox	McMillan, James	Sparks, E. B.
Cornall, Peter Morris	McMillan, John Gilmore	Thompson, Mans
Derrick, Charles Melvin	McMillan, William James	Turner, John
Emerson, Ralph Waldo	Mitchell, George Joseph	Walsh, Michael
Garton, Lewis	Nichless, Richard	Wiley, John Calvin
Gildmacher, Melchior	Oliver, Thomas John	Wilson, H'y Westmoreland
Hankins, Andrew Jackson	Packard, Andrew Jackson	Wilson, Hiram Lindley
Harris, Oren Chamberlin	Pratt, Enoch Henry	Wilson, Melvin W.
Haven, Elisha	Rich, Joseph Jones	Youlen, William
Haven, Daniel J.	Roberts, Abrah'm Ferguson	Young, Henry George—60.

RESTORED:

Sparks, E. B.

Wilson, Henry Westmoreland—2.

ILLINOISTOWN LODGE, No. 51.

Colfax, Placer County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

William Bainbridge Storey, <i>Master</i> ,	Robert Smith Osborn, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Simon Manuel, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Leland Cadjew, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Leopold Lobner, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Benjamin, } <i>Stewards</i> .
Wanton Alfred Himes, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Rowe, }
James Barrows Hayford, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Morris Lobner, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

George Wash. Applegate,	James Peverly Hodgdon,	William Bainbridge Storey,
Wanton Alfred Himes,	Morris Lobner,	William Barrows Hayford.
William Benjamin,		

MASTER MASONS:

Alcorn, Baneford	Hooper, Thomas	Peden, Albert Oliver
Allen, Lorenzo Thomas	Hughes, William A.	Provan, William
Barrett, George Apelby	Johnson, Gust. Adolphus	Queen, Christopher
Brainard, George Seth	Marx, Charles	Richardson, George Wash'n
Campbell, Arch. Deverell	Murphy, Bernard	Smith, Albert Holliday
Dysart, John	Osborn, Watson Brown	Vare, Edmund
Guptil, Willard William	Parker Samuel Emmerson	Voss, Louis
Hoagland, Joseph Ankney	Parks, James Henry	Wood, William Thomas—37.

RESTORED:

Mitchell, Joseph—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Boden, Thomas

Mitchell, Joseph—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Frary, Elisha Freeman—1.

DIED:

Cook, James—1.

SUISUN LODGE, No. 55.

Suisun, Solano County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

George Gordon Gardner, <i>Master</i> ,	Oscar Rapiet Coghlan, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Wm. Gustavus Davisson, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	William Leithead, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Jacob Frank, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Monroe Vance, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Columbus Palestine Reeves, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Peter Jay Chrisler, }
George Anthony Gillespie, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Wm. Wynn Redmond Reeves, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Neils Anderson, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Sampson Smith,	Stephen Kirby Nurse,	Moses Dinkenspiel,
Eben Dorman Perkins,	Jerome Bon'p'te Richardson,	Allen Charles Miller,
John Bonaparte Lemon,	Joseph Pickle Jones,	James Monroe Vance.

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, David Hawes	Gapen, John McGee	Meins, Robert
Arnold, Gilbert Conger	Gettier, Charles Peter	Morris, Samuel Anthony
Bacon, William	Hall, George Washington	Olsen, Peter
Bauman, Jacob, Henry	Harris, Henry	Palmer, Philip
Brown, William Bernard,	Hewitt, Amos Lorenzo	Patton, John
Capell, James Smith	Hoag, James Robert	Pennell, William
Cerkel, Wolf	Hoyt, George Adolphus	Porter, George Seward
Chapman, Aiddeline L.	Hoyt, Julian Buel	Richardson, Wm. Manning
Charles, Abner Elias	Hoyt, William Kimball	Shorey, Sumner Augustino
Coghlan, John Maxwell	Hunnewell, Freeman	Spencer, William
Coleman, John Hezerchiro	Hurlbutt, Ezra Belden	Stamper, Joseph Wolf
Cotting, Hartley Bernard	James, Nicholas	Staples, Ernest Herbert
Cutler, Jacob	Jones, Frederick Sidney	Stephens, William Bell
Dickie, Albert Alexander	Jones, John Milton	Stewart, Samuel
Dinkelspiel, Adolph	Kinlock, John Gulick	Tyrrell, John
Doggett, William Jordan	Lambie, John	Voorhamme, John Mathew
Dunn, Alexander	Lockie, John Albert	Votypka, John
Edwards, James Garrot	Malchi, John	Woods, John—75.
Galbraith, James	McCreary, Daniel	

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Bock, Carl Frederick Gordon, William—2.

RESTORED:

Shore, Sumner Augustino—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Cooper, Matthew Montgomery Ferrell, John Long, Peter—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Carrington, John Bennett Ewing, Joshua Craig Marston, Jeremiah Hobbs—3.

DIED:

Owens, John Wren—1.

VOLCANO LODGE, No. 56.

Volcano, Amador County.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Lauchlin McLaine, <i>Master</i> ,	Joseph Goodall, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Elbridge, William Huey, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Reuben Frederick Frye, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Louis Ludekens, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Provis,
Peter Alonzo Clute, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Holbert Harmon, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Benjamin Ross, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Collins, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Robert Stewart,	Lauchlin McLaine,	James Adams.
Charles Wilson,		

MASTER MASONS:

Bereni, Antoni	Evans, Samuel Washington	McKinnon, Mal'm Campbell
Booth, Richard Ambrose	Foster, John Adams	Miller, John
Boyle, William Clinton	Griesbach, Jacob	Provis, Francis
Case, John Nelson	Harker, John	Schmidt, John
Cleveland, Francis James	Kelley, Dennis	Story, William Riley
Daiss, Antone	Ledford, Amos Seabourn	Walker, Louis Frank—33.
Dillian, William David	Mason, Warren Quincy	

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Griesbach, George

Hughes, Samuel—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Wassescha, Joseph—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Coughlin, Daniel

Loree, Samuel Hewitt

Wright, Nathan Thomas—3.

DIED :

Hipkins, Richard Lawson—1.

SANTA ROSA LODGE, No. 57.

Santa Rosa, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Elijah Thompson Farmer, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles Hazelwood Holmes, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Augustus Leander Fisher, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Martin Van Buren Vanderhoof, <i>Jun. Deac.</i>
Allison, Burr Ware, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Strom, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Francis Marion Caldwell, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Acton,
John Berka, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Samuel Washington Metcalf,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
Edmond Palmer Hewlett, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Lorenzo Don Latimer,	Thomas Phipps Baxter,	William McSure Evans,
Abraham Clay Rainey,	John McIlmoil,	Robert Press Smith, Jr.
Joseph Henry Griggs,	John Tyler Campbell,	James Anderson.

MASTER MASONS :

Bond, William Hammet	Farmer, John Hudson	Hutchinson, Samuel
Boyce, John Franklin	Fitzgerald, Adolph Leigh	Jackson, Ed. New'n Barnes
Brittain, Martin Adams	Flippin, Joseph Thomas	Johnson, John Fletcher
Brown, John	Fortson, John Thomas	Johnson, William Thomas
Brown, Samuel	Fulkerson, Richard	Julliard, Charles Frederick
Bumpus, Cyrus Hamlin	Fulkerson, Theodorus	Keim, Benjamin Franklin
Campbell, James Peart	Furgerson, Walter Cecoir	Korbel, Anton Francis
Carrillo, Julio	Gale, William Walker	Label, Himan
Clark, James Preston	Gleason, Cyrus Sidney	Maede, August
Cummings, Leander	Glynn, Francis J. Bonap'te	McCoy, James
Curry, Isaac	Gordon, James Burns	Melson, John Brown
Dalton, Thomas Benton	Griggs, William Benjamin	Murdock, Louis A.
Davis, Elisha Lacy	Hall, Lowry Bishop	Nash, William Hewston
Davis, Levi S.	Hall, Rufus Lea	Neblett, Edward
Doychert, Julius	Harris, Jacob	Nicoll, Daniel Cox
Drennan, Thomas Jefferson	Heisel, Paul	O'Rear, William Edgar
Duncan, James Parker	Henley, Barclay	Park, Alvah W.
Dunwoody, Alexander	Hicks, James Oliver	Paul, Henry Clay
Durham, Thomas	Holmes, Henderson Phineas	Phelps, Charles Loraine
Dyer, Robert Decatur	Hudson, Taliafero Flournoy	Prince, Peter
Estinghausen, Wm. Adams	Hudspeth, William Monroe	Prindle, William
Farmer, Chris. Columbus	Hughes, John	Redman, Chris. Columbus

Roney, James Madison
 Rupe, David Crockett
 Russill, Henry Davis
 Seegelken, Ernst August
 Shaw, David Bogley
 Short, Zalner Arthniel
 Simons, John Sharp

Stanley, William Barton
 Straney, Francis Marion
 Taylor, John
 Taylor, John Shackelford
 Thompson, Robert August
 Thompson, Thomas Larkin
 Tupper, George Anderson

Williams, James Monroe
 Wise, Henry
 White, John McCollouck
 Wilks, George Washington
 Wood, Benj. Seawell
 Young, Frank William—106.

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Davis, John B.

McMeans, Alexander Campbell

Wiley, James N.—3.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Hixon, Andrew

Mock, Wesley

Smallwood, Edward B.—5.

Glenn, James Henry

Nagle, Frederick Gough

WITHDRAWN:

Branthover, Daniel

Clark, Jacob Brown

Jarvis, Dustin—4.

Burckhalter, Jeremiah

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Ames, Charles Gardner

Davis, Preston Randolph

Morrow, James, Jr.

Andrews, Peter

Gobel, Nerces

Vehling, Frederick

Beam, Jeremiah

Henderson, William

Willis, Thomas Nathan—11.

Boorman, Benjamin Nash

Lorch, John Martin

DIED:

Cocke, William Thomas

Hailman, Peter Adam

Mizer, Henry Clay—4.

Duncan, Daniel

UNION LODGE, No. 58.

Sacramento, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Charles Fox Shields, *Master*,
 John McArthur, *Senior Warden*,
 Robert Smith Frazee, *Junior Warden*,
 Anthony Egl, *Treasurer*,
 Charles Mortimer Coglan, *Secretary*,
 John Harmon C. Bonte, *Chaplain*,

Phillip Douglas, *Senior Deacon*,
 Osgood Wilder, *Junior Deacon*,
 John William Rock, *Marshal*,
 Alphonse Dennerly, }
 Samuel Moseley, } *Stewards*,
 Petragie Zacharias, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Richard Dale,
 John William Rock,
 Isaac Baldwin Coledge,
 Alfred Augustus Redington,

Samuel Crawford Denson,
 John Austin Cunningham,
 Charles Mortimer Coglan,

Charles Fox Shields,
 Creed Haymond,
 Joseph Hull.

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, Horace
 Allen, John Francis
 Ashworth, John Henry
 Ayer, Isaac
 Bair, Darius H.
 Barclay, Simeon

Bartels, William
 Bates, Joseph
 Bell, William M.
 Berkey, Thomas Henry
 Bliss, Sidney
 Bradley, John

Braun, August
 Bremer, William Herman
 Brewington, Benj. Smith,
 Brooks, John Hosley
 Brougham, Fred'k Pierce,
 Brown, John Rudd

Buchanan, John	Hawkins, Walter Lewis	Rothfeld, Sigmund
Bush David	Hawkins, William	Rugg, Joseph Percival
Bush, George Thompson	Heilbron, Frederick	Schaefer, Louis
Burton, Camillus N.	Howe, Leland	Scott, William
Byers, Robert Hopkins,	Hunt, William Smith	Scully, George Jeffrey
Cavanaugh, Bartley	Huntsinger, Eli	Shaw, Ira Clark
Chadderdon, John Lockw'd	Inwalle, John Joseph	Shearer, Arthur Benton
Chase, Thomas	Jutrosinski, Isidore	Sheldon, Wm. Chauncey
Clark, Jerome Franklin	Keber, John	Sidebotham, Henry
Clement, Lewis Metzler,	Kimball, Gorham Gates	Smith, George Boardman
Cluness, William Robert	Klink, Charles Ferdinand	Smith, Wilber Field
Coles, Thorn	Knauer, Lawrence	Stephenson, Jas. Mitchell
Collins, James Bernard	Kohn, Henry	Stevens, Herman Daggett
Cowan, William Henderson	Kreuzberger, Lucas	Stoddard, George Allen
Cushman, Matthew Smith	Lavenson, Samuel	Sutliff, Levi Beardslie
Dolan, Bernard O.	Laws, Robert James	Taylor, Edward Tyffe
Eddy, William	Leitch, George Whitfield	Titus, Benjamin
Eichrodt, Max	Levison, Jacob	Turpin, John Nathaniel
Feldheim, Nathan G.	Lippett, Philip	Tyrell, George Gerald
Fillmore, Jerome Adolphus	Long, Jeremiah	Uren, Stephen
Fitch, William Cyrus	McCormack, Charles	Van Voorhies, Albert Alex.
Fletcher, Lawrence	McKay, Daniel	Wait, George Smith
Flint, Addison Augustus	Meister, August	Watson, John Richard
Forbes, Robert	Meyer, William	Welch, Benjamin
Fuller, William Walton	Morris, Patrick T.	Welch, George Drake
Garlick, Aaron	Morsehead, William	White, George Amos
Gerson, Samuel	O'Brien, Michael	Wilkinson, Joseph Rogers
Gilmer, Thomas Waterford	Palmer, Asa John Wood	Wilson, Jesse Warren
Goodman, Adolph	Peterson, Nicholas	Wingate, Richard Pike
Goodrich, Maxey Jewett	Peterson, Wm. Frederick	Witham, Gilbert Tapley
Gregg, George	Phillips, Louis	Woodburn, James
Hack, Julius Frederick	Price, William	Yoerk, Charles Augustus
Hardy, Thomas	Rademacher, Charles	Youngs, William
Hart, Albert	Richardson, Parson	Zenovich, Stephen Severius
Haswell, Charles Salem		—140.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Reidel, Frank—1.

RESTORED:

Haswell, Charles Salem Mace, Richard P.—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Guild, William Allen

Mace, Richard P.—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bradshaw, Oliver Lewis	English, William Garrison	Mallard, George Harv y
Crofton, Samuel William	Glissman, Charles	Schrieber, Simon
Davis, Harris	Harper, James	Snider, Thornton Andrew

—9.

DIED:

Belcher, John Cleveland—1.

GRAVEL RANGE LODGE, No. 59.

Camptonville, Yuba County.

*Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Josiah Perkins Brown, <i>Master</i> ,	John George McLellan, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Carlos Frederick Mansur, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William John Baden, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Daniel Locey, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Arthur Gardner Miller, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Alexander Meek, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Lester Allen Pelton, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Richard Munt, <i>Secretary</i> ,	David Henry Landeker, }
Moses Dwight Gage, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Joseph Henry Fuller, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Josiah Perkins Brown,	Richard Munt,	John George McLellan,
Charles O'Hara,	William H. Groves,	John Emmons Fuller.
Joshua Hutchings Variel,		

MASTER MASONS:

Andrews, John	Crawford, Wm. Alexander	Moison, Charles P.
Arnott, Alexander	Elias, Isaac	Nelson, James
Arnott, James	Elias, Samuel	Nickleson, Ishm'l Henderson
Baker, Richard	Gibson, William Walker	Pellisson, Peter
Baker, Silas Sherman	Jones, John George	Peterson, Johannes
Baxter, John	Jones, Thomas	Phillips, Thomas
Beaman, John Henry	Jones, Thomas Lewis	Rowlands, Evan Richard
Beartsch, Christian	Kennady, John Rufus	Russell, Peter
Bibber, Charles H.	Marrow, Otis Nelson	Spencer, Stephen
Butz, Peter	McLellan, Charles	Thomas, Hugh Mathew
Byrd, Thomas Jackson	McMurry, Valentine Cook	Watts, Jeremiah
Calvin, David	Meek, John Robert	Williams, Thomas
Covey, Eugene Beauharnais	Miseley, Christian	Wilond, John Christopher

—55.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Smith, Charles—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Andrews, Ormand Baker—1.

PLUMAS LODGE, No. 60.

Quincy, Plumas County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Arthur Walter Keddie, <i>Master</i> ,	Peter Howard, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Robert Norsen Smith, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John William Turner, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Edwin Edwards, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Robert Henry Fauntl'y Variel, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Asher Cohn, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Henry Rudolph Maurer, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Fenton Berkley Whiting, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Christian Frederick Miller, }
James Hardin Larison, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

John Daniel Goodwin,	Rob't Henry Fauntleroy Variel,	Arthur Walter Keddie.
Thomas Franklin Hersey,		

MASTER MASONS:

Andrews, Wm. Hutchinson	Folsom, Daniel	Martin, Joseph George
Berry, Henry Winslow	Forman, John Halsey	McGee, John Baarahm
Boring, Isaac Campbell	Garner, Edward	Messerer, Joseph
Brown, Henry Nathan	Gentry, James Christy	Nash, Nelson Perley
Bull, Daniel Miller	Goodwin, Samuel	Neal, Thomas
Byers, William Thomas	Haycock, Thomas	Phelps, John Glover
Chaplaine, Charles	Heath, Elisha Andres	Prince, Thomas Brown
Chapman, John Maurice	Hogan, Edmund Thomas	Sanders, Robert
Cheney, William Atwill	Houck, James Henry	Sawyer, John James
Cohn, Lewis	Jacks, Richard	Smith, Daniel Robertson
Dean, Wilson Seaman	Keep, Albert	Thompson, Christopher
Dempster, James	Kimball, Mathew Harvey	Titus, Abner Smith
Ephraim, Leopold	Lefoon, James	VanNorden, Thomas Abell

—52.

FELLOW CRAFTS.

Stiles, Geo. Washington Wagner, William—2.

RESTORED :

Cravens, Jesse Peterson.—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Cravens, Jesse Peterson Grubbs, Elisha Parker—2.

DIED:

Myers, Sylvester—1,

LIVE OAK LODGE, No. 61.

Oakland, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.

OFFICERS:

John Carleton Marsh, <i>Master</i> ,	Daniel Henry Everett, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Raglan Glasscock, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	George Elliott Farwell, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Edward Bennison, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Peter Baker, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Samuel Hirshberg, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Owens,
James Todd Gardiner, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Jesse Franklin Cochran,
Benjamin Akerly, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Herman Ash, <i>Tyler</i> .

} *Stewards*,

Past Masters :

Jeremiah Elkins Whitchee,	James Lentell,	Horace Barton Pomroy,
Francis Kittridge Shattuck,	James Carter Kyte,	James Todd Gardiner,
Benjamin Akerly,	Thatcher Peter Wales,	William Andrew King,
Franklin Warner,	James Christopher Martin,	George Malcomson Yard.
James Ogden Miner,		

MASTER MASONS :

Andresen, Harold Sophus	Brooks, Frank Howard	Conley, Charles
Bagge, Christian	Brooks, James Marcus	Cooms, Henry
Baldwin, David Martin	Burner, John Davies	Cordes, Paul Henry
Balmforth, Ralph	Carrick, John Willard	Coursen, Edgar Abraham
Bankhead, Hugh	Chamberlain, Alfred Mellen	Cunningham, Patrick Jas.
Bates, Charles David	Chappellet, Felix	Dieves, Joseph
Beebe, Robert J.	Clark, Marion	Dinsmore, Luther
Bell, Samuel Bookstaver	Clayton, William Burt	Eastman, Moses Hayden
Blair, George Washington	Coburn, Thomas Cavanaugh	Fairchild, Oscar L. Crandall
Bowen, William Jones	Collins, William	Farrington, Elvin Dunn

Fehr, John Louis	Lamont, Thomas	Reinstadler, François
Gemmell, Alexander	Lindeman, Henry	Roff, Harry Loren
Gerry, Thomas	Luelling, Oregon C.	Rosenberg, Morris
Gleason, George	Mann, Benjamin Franklin	Russell, Edward Knight
Gray, Martin Luther	Marsh, Charles Pantier	Ryttenberg, Isaac Daniel
Gruen, John	Marshall, William Broad	Schaffner, Friedrich
Gunn, John Cristar	Mathews, Julius Case	Schmidt, John Carl
Hall, Joseph Lee	McConnell, James Davison	Simpson, Joseph Cairn
Harlow, Wm. Sturtevant	McClure, Stewart	Smith, Joseph
Harrison, William Greer	McKee, Robert Linington	Snyder Andrew Jackson
Healke, Hellwig Leopold	McKeever, Charles	Snyder, Lyman Nutt
Henninger, Frederick	McKenzie, William William	Taylor, James
Hillebrand, Henry	Neilsen, Anders Peter Wm.	Tilley, Gabriel Henderson
Hitchcock, Harry Elisha	Nolan, Stephen	Todtmann, Theodore Ernst
Hobbs, Levitt Moses	Olmsted, Sheldon Patter'n	Van Voorhies, William
Irwin, John Clarke	Partenscky, Charles	Williams, Alpheus Fuller
Janssen, Fred'k Geo. Ernst	Powers, Oliver Pollard	Williams, Mark Anthony
Jansen, Rasmus	Prosser, Walter	Williams, Nicholas
Jose, William Hocking	Rasmussen, Hans	Wilson, James
Kindgren, Chister William	Reid, Charles Wood	Woolsey, Elliott Hartman.

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FELLOW CRAFT:

Wingate, Isaac Cannon.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Beck, Thomas	Oberg, John	Yarndly, Richard Thomas
Driver, James	Schaffer, Louis	Young, Louis—8.
Hine, Willis Henry	Wright, Edward Lawrence	

WITHDRAWN:

Block, Emanuel Daniel	De Golia, Darwin	Ruth, John—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Blake, George Franklin	Gross, Wm. Gustave Const'n	Howe, Micha Mead
Blake, John Joseph	Grosso, Wm. Constantine	Kenedy, James
Carleton, George Henry	Heywood, Samuel	Stahl, Benjamin Franklin
Eaton, Henry Jones		

—10.

DIED:

Gabb, William Moore	Ross, John—2.
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GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 62.

Chinese, Tuolumne County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Charles Frederick Wade, <i>Master</i> ,	Daniel T. Bartlett, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Meyer, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Louis Egling, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Samuel Dick, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Dickey Crawford, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Christian Mann, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Martin Ray Hurlbert,
Royal Mills Lampson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Alpheus Sherman Orcutt,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Peter Meyer, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Roscoe Follansbee	Frederick Weyer,	Daniel T. Partlett.
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MASTER MASONS :

Bacon, Martin	Klattenhoff, Diebrich	Solinsky, Christ'n Wm. Hugo
Comfort, John Van Cott	Love, Rufus King	Taylor, Albert
Ernst, John	Morris, James	Taylor John—23.
Hurlbert, Egbert		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Beckwith, William Jeremiah—1.

NATOMA LODGE, No. 64.

Folsom, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

James Henry Burnham, <i>Master</i> ,	Christian Ludwig Ecklon, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Simon Stamper, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Wm. Alexander Bingham, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Michael Rawlings Riddle, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	William Conkey Crosett, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Joshua Hughes Smith, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Richard Augustus Reed, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Wallace Sheldon, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Carroll Oliver Spaulding, }
Frederick Holzinger, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Alfred Spinks,	William Oliver Davis,	James Henry Burnham,
William Timson,	John Adams Odell,	Peter Yager.
Edward Christy,	Christian Ludwig Ecklon,	

MASTER MASONS :

Bates, Benjamin Franklin	Holzinger, Herman	Levy, Edward Rodgers
Brown, Hy. New Hampshire	House, John Lorn	Meredith, James Sebastian
Burt, John Leroy	Houston, Joseph Warren	Miller, Jacob
Cohn, Simon	Hyman, Jacob	Mills, Robert Trimble
Comfort, George Middleton	Joerger, Joseph	Morris, Robert
Davisson, Thomas	Jones, Edwin Augustus	Robinson, Jas. Sam'l Smith
Doll, Michael	Kaese, George Wm. Henry	Stephenson, Thomas
Ehrke, Geo. Julius Herman	Keefe, Robert	Sturgess, James Henry
Farmer, William	Kinsey, John Edgar	Webbena, Gerget Mensen
Gable, Jacob	Kyburg, Samuel	Wilson, Egbert Livingston
Griffin, Michael	Lamblett, Frederick	Woolson, Ezra—50.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Hastings, Hervey Le Roy—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Stout, James—1.

EXPELLED:

Saulsbury, Thompson Greaves—1.

AMADOR LODGE, No. 65.**Jackson, Amador County.***Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Wallace Kay, <i>Master</i> ,	John Giusto, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Walter Scott Cooledge, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Frederick Ketcham Taber, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
Anthony Wittman, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Raphael Rugne, }
Antonio Arata, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Samuels, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Robert Aitken, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Francesco Rocca, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Michael Jones Little,	Robert Aitken,	Wallace Kay.
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MASTER MASONS:

Belluomini, Giovanni	Heming, David	Radovich, Nicholas
Berryman, Andrew	Holtz, Peter	Robinson, John Andrew
Chichizola, Augustino	Kales, Martin William	Sanders, William Boon
Cola, Pietro	Kerr, John Bayless	Sharp, William
Cosner, Robert	Liard, Jean	Smith, William
Eddy, Edward	Mace, Fayette	Spagnoli, Diavol Benedetto
Farley, James Thompson	Mattly, David	Spagnoli, Sylvester Giovanni
Ford, Henry Darnel	Milliken, Jesse	Steckler, Charles
Ford, Hiram Wilder	Norton, William Henry	Stevens, James Baunty
Fullen, John	Ould, John	Turner, Clarence Helmer
Garbarini, Joseph Antonio	Pernollet, Jean	Walther, Otto—45.
Harry, Henry		

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Giannini, Guiseppe Maria	Giusto, Ambroggio—2.
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WITHDRAWN:

Skinner, John—1.

DIED:

Whetstone, Washington Taylor—1.

FOREST LODGE, No. 66.**Alleghany, Sierra County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

John T. Bradbury, <i>Master</i> ,	Moses Sylvanus Harriman, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Hiram Wilsie Wallis, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Orville Briggs, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
_____, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James McGregor, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Josiah Lefever, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Broder Haas, }
George Washington Perkins, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Henry William Stilck, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Frederick Edward Young, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

John Kirkpatrick,	Moses Sylvanus Harriman,	James McNaughton.
George Washington Perkins,	John T. Bradbury,	

MASTER MASONS :

Abbe, George Henry	Hammond, Samuel X.	McNulty, John W.
Anderson, John	Hanley, William A.	Meany, Nathan Holbridge
Bonham, Perry	Hockelberg, Bernard	Meily, Emanuel Augustus
Brainerd, Charles	Jenkins, Alfred	Miller, Abraham Herman
Cooper, William Wallace	Jenkins, Thomas Henry	Prescott, LeRoy
Crafts, Samuel Storrs	Johnson, James Yates	Pugh, Theophilus
Deisem, Charles S.	Jones, John Oscar	Ross, John
Deyoe, William Anson	Killip, William Charles	Thompson, David Edward
Dierstein, William	Lawrence, George	Thompson, James
Eastman, Newell Bigford	Malone, Rowland Curtin	Van Wagner, Nehemiah
Ellery, Henry, Jr.	Martin, George C.	Wayland, William Allen
Erskine, William	McConnell, Hugh	West, John Thorensius
Fuller, Theodore	McIntyre, Archibald	Wilson, William Wilfrid—52.
Gale, John		

MORNING STAR LODGE, No. 68.

Stockton, San Joaquin County.

Stated Meetings, fourth Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Benjamin Franklin Bagley, <i>Master</i> ,	Edward Scott, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Doran Lucius Campbell, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Bruce Harrison, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Edwin Banks Noble, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	David House Huffman, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Thomas Kent Hook, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Yardley,
Morris Hartwell Bond, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Hyde Cross,
	Thomas Driver, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

George Augustus Shurtleff,	Henry Sumner Sargent,	Geo. Alex. McKenzie,
William Montg'ry Baggs,	Frederick Macondray West,	Joseph Mortimer Koon,
Henry Coffin Shaw,	Emanuel Block,	Frank Sanborn Hatch.
Thomas Kent Hook,	Edward Richard Hedges,	

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, Silas Plymton	Brooks, Alexander William	Dryfous, Emile
Allen, Franklin Rhodes	Brown, Philip Thomas	Earsom, John William
Arnold, Frederick	Bumb, Peter Andrew	Ellis, John
Aubry, Alvin Emansua	Burkett, Alexander	Evans, George Spafford
Bachman, Carl August	Butler, Charles Frederick	Fanning, Howard Malcolm
Bailey, Lamertine Edward	Carner, Charles Isaac	Fletcher, Willard Franklin
Bainbridge, Jas. Absalom	Castle, Christop'r Champlin	Forbes, Charles Mortimer
Baldwin, Calvin Pryor	Choate, Thomas Baker	Fyfe, Joseph
Barber, Joseph Martin	Clark, Robert	Gardner, Thomas M.
Bargion, Peter	Clayes, Orlando Metcalf	Gillingham, Henry William
Barling, Franklin	Confer, Solomon Lytle	Gnekow, Rudolph
Bauer, Hermann	Conklin, Jesse	Grattan, John
Beasley, Charles	Covert, Henry Marcus	Greene, William Ellsworth
Beysser, Louis	Cross, Samuel Nelson	Harsbarger, Isaac Newton
Blanchard, George Bradley	Cunningham, Thomas	Harp, William Middleton
Blessing, Jacob	Dorr, William Augustus	Harwood, Simon
Braids, John	Dorrance, Henry Tully	Henderson, Abram Jamison

Henderson, Milton Pierce	McCleary, John	Ross, Ichabod Olmsted
Hickman, Edward	McKinne, Barna	Sampson, Charles Selestina
Hildreth, George Francis	Merrill, Isaac Newton	Schroder, John George
Hood, Edward Elbridge	Michaels, Benjamin Keefe	Shaw, Moses Johnson
Hudson, Abijah Thurston	Milco, Nicolo	Southrey, John Nicolas
Hussey, John Clark	Monahan, Patrick	Stamper, Isaac
Innes, Gidley	Myrick, John Edward	Stevens, Eben Shépard
Ivory, Charles Oscar	Neff, Andrew Daniel	Stowell, John
Jamieson, And'w Robertson	Neill, Josiah Dunlap	Stroeter, Henry William
Jockers, David	Nichols, John	Swain, Cornelius
Kees, William	Noble, Arthur Morgan	Tripp, William Osial
Kerr, Benjamin Eadie	Orr, Nelson Mills	Tschierscky, E. M. Louis
Kidd, James Edward	Overheiser, Wm. Lafayette	Tucker, Frederick Mann
Lang, Henry Prior	Patterson, Charles Wesley	Underhill, Henry Bears
Lang, Lewis Hawkins	Perkins, Charles Edwin	Vance, John Anderson
La Rue, John Milton	Ralph, Calvin Rawson	Webber, James Stephen
Lehe, Eugene	Ralph, Wm. Henry Harrison	Wilhoit, Roley Earley
Lehman, David	Ranney, Sullivan	Wilson, Thomas A.
Lewis, Washington Oceola	Requa, James Edgar	Woolsey, William
Lewthwaite, John	Robbins, Henry Ephriam	Worth, John Cannel—134.
Lyon, Lemuel Elisha	Rohrbacher, Philip	

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Chadbourne, Henry	Nicewonger, Levi Hull	Turner, George Clinton—4.
Curran, Thomas		

WITHDRAWN:

Cooper, Calvin Savage	Stockton, Elias Alonzo	Webster, Joshua Bertran
Doss, Stephen Colman		—4.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Bambauer, Daniel	Crawford, Thomas	Lux, Frederick Edward
Bertrand, Louis	Elliott, Lyman Weston	Peyton, Valentine Mason—8.
Bury, Daniel William	Gibson, Wm. Thos. Atherton	

DIED:

Northey, Thaddeus Warsaw	Ring, Greenleaf	Robinson, Granville—3.
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ENTERPRISE LODGE, No. 70.

Yuba City, Sutter County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

George Washington Carpenter, <i>Master</i> ,	Samuel Haws Ross, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Abram Brewer Van Arsdale, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Edw'd Wash'ton Featherly, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
William Parkhurst Smith, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Frederick Cooper, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Caleb Elisha Wilcoxson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Benj. Franklin Walton,
Jefferson Monroe Thomas, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Haynes,
Ogilvie Moncur, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Caleb Elisha Wilcoxson,	Jesse Harrison Craddock,	Samuel Haws Ross,
James William Gaither,	Moody Curtis Clark,	Geo. Washington Carpenter,
Philip Walter Keyser,	Richard Bayne,	Lorenzo Dow Parkhurst.

MASTER MASONS :

Alberty, Geo. Weatherholt	Galbraith, Thomas Arthur	Mitchell, Speed Smith
Apple, Joseph Henry	Gillenwater, Joseph Hogan	Myers, John Henry
Barnett, Richard	Harkey, William Pinckney	Onstott, John Paxton
Brown, Ransom Daniel	Hendricks, Edgar James	Sage, George Marion
Bruce, John Jasper	Herrold, Ebenezer William	Schuessler, Henry Herman
Brice, John William	Honan, Michael Francis	Shermeir, John Henry
Chappell, William	Ink, Walter Payne	Smith, Gilbert Nelson
Clyma, Thomas Sanford	Johnston, Benj. Franklin	Soderland, Johannes
Connell, Michael	Littlejohn, James	Sullivan, John Lyons
Cress, Jacob Daniel	Marcuse, Jonas	Van Fleet, Geo. Washington
Dobbins, Thomas	Mattison, Charles	Van Fleet, William
Ferguson, Thomas Henry	Mayfield, Isaac Jasper	Weeman, Charles
Fields, Charles Becom	McDonald, John James	Wilson, Sanford Ellis—57.
Fox, Thomas		

FELLOW CRAFTS :

Heikin, Henry

Watts, Albert Joseph—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Anderson, Robert	Keck, Alfred	Turfrey, Luke
Dunwell, E. B.	Lambeith, John	Watson, Delacy William—8
Hicks, Jesse	Rainey, John William	

RESTORED :

Brown, Ransom Daniel—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Bowmer, James Mahan—1.

DIED :

Brown, John

Gelzehauser, John—2.

NEBRASKA LODGE, No. 71.

Michigan Bar, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

George Washington Sweat, <i>Master</i> ,	James Jordan, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Wesley Heath, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Vanness Allin Brown, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Oscar Hugo Kister, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Seth Beardsley Moore, <i>Marshal</i> ,
James Monroe Brown, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Oliver Plummer,
Samuel Welsh Prothero, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Henry Dixon, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
George Watkins Heath, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

George Watkins Heath,

George Washington Sweat.

MASTER MASONS :

Barron, John Ennor	Reardon, John	Tubbs, John Charles
Grimshaw, Wm. Robinson	Richards, Charles	Tucker, James
Howell, Sidney Algernon	Street, Charles William	Winegar, Charles Orra
Hutchinson, James Exodus	Taverner, George	Zumwalt, Joseph Smith—24.
Johnson, Julian Workman		

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Dixon, Michael Septimus—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Balis, George Washington—1.

DIED :

Alderson, Henry

McCormick, Isaac Newton—2.

BEAR MOUNTAIN LODGE, No. 76.

Angels, Calaveras County.

Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

William Andrew Kelly, <i>Master</i> ,	Sam'l Augustus Roberts, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Cooley, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Brown, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Mattison, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Harvey Blood, }
Bartholomew Romaga Prince, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Gardner, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Alexander Love, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Holland Prout, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

William Andrew Kelly,	James Fitzgerald Anderson.
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MASTER MASONS :

Augustine, Joseph Maria	Hardy, George	McKey, James
Bense, Adolphus	Johnston, Martin VanBuren	Reddick, William
Coddington, William	Lagomarsino, John	Ridel, Balthaser
Crossett, Thomas	Lee, Thomas	Scribner, John Charles—24.
Curnow, Joseph		

WITHDRAWN:

Augustine, Cypriano	Deer, Thomas Jefferson	Lewis, William Terrell—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

West, Frederick William—1.

PETALUMA LODGE, No. 77.

Petaluma, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

William Emory Cox, <i>Master</i> ,	Dolphe Brice Fairbanks, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Loranger, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Michael Engel, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Alonzo Wiswell, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Hulme Knowles, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Zartman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Engel, }
Henry Haven, <i>Secretary</i> ,	George Fred'k Densmore, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	William Hazen Rugg, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Oscar Valentine Walker,	David Jay,	Levi Hartzell Patty,
William Melville Brown,	Hiram Fayette Taft,	John Neill.
Shadrach Greene,	William Emory Cox,	

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, George Frank	Carpenter, William	Fitzgerald, James Butler
Allen, William Thomas	Cavanagh, John	Gale, Demus
Barlow, Warren	Cowley, William Ashline	Goldstein, Henry
Barnes, Thomas Percival	Cox, William Edwin	Graham, Thomas Jefferson
Bayley, Aleander Alonzo	Davis, Julius Almont	Hamilton, Geo. Washington
Beggs, Thomas J.	Dinwiddie, William Henry	Haskins, Thomas Jefferson
Brown, Albert Augustus	Fairbanks, Hiram Tobbert	Haubrick, Leonard
Burnham, Charles Franklin	Farrer, Anderson Leach	Healy, Hezekiah
Camm, William	Fell, James Norton	Hinkle, John Baker

Hyatt, Robert McDonald	Peyton, James Alexander	Smith, Samuel J.
Ink, Theron Hotchkiss	Pierce, Abram Jewell	Taylor, David Whitman
Jewell, Isaac Robinson	Pimm, Henry	Thompson, Andrew Chester
Johnson, Almon Thomas	Purvine, William Boliver	Thompson, Jeffers'n Asberry
Lane, Delos Sabin	Rikert, Theodore M.	Walls, David
Little, John David	Rochford, Thomas	Warner, William
Long, Edmund Hoffman	Rose, James Russell	Warren, John Bronson
Magee, Charles Ingram	Roseburgh, Allen	Weber, Martin
Mann, William Dean	Schwartz, John	Wentworth, John Edelbert
McFadden, Reubin	Scoville, Asa Corwin	Whitney, Albion Parris
Merritt, John	Shattuck, Francis William	Wickersham, Jesse C.
Moffit, John	Smith, Doctor Sidney	Woodworth, Scott Justus
Morse, Amasa	Smith, John Alexander	Yoemans, Charles
Ormsby, John Harper	Smith, John T.	Zartman, Geo. Washington
Pedrizzini, Louis		—88.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Atkins, Powhattan Alfred Peyton—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Spotswood, Robert—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Sheldon, Henry Martin—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Dodson, Joseph Hurt
Farley, Francis Hall

Finch, Henry Price

Howard, John Friend—4.

DIED :

Carder, Dennison Delos—1.

CALAVERAS LODGE, No. 78.

San Andreas, Calaveras County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

William Terrell Lewis, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles Robert Beal, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Casey, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Jabien Salcido, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Chambers Early, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Fairchild Colton, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Arnold Friedberger, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Henry Watson,
Jubal Alonzo Foster, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Richard William Russell, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Charles Lowe Chase, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Moses Thorpe,	Elisha Bryant Robertson,	William Terrell Lewis.
William Anderson Wallace,	Charles Rienzi Hopkins,	

MASTER MASONS :

Austin, Horace	Hatch, Charles Metzger	Rowland, Abraham Brown
Bode, Herman	Lobenstein, Emanuel	Schussler, Peter Philip Hy.
Bowe, Edward Young	Mingus, John Alphonso	Snyder, Peter Nicholas
Caven, James	Newman, Paul	Thorn, Benjamin Kent
Coulter, Adolph Henry	Raggio, Joseph	Wiggin, Charles
Cutter, George Webber	Reddick, John Burke	Wilcox, Leonard G.—34.
Darnul, Coke Burry		

WITHDRAWN :

Thorn, Abbott Goddard—1.

HUMBOLDT LODGE, No. 79.

Eureka, Humboldt County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS:

James Berry Brown, <i>Master,</i>	Harris Barnes Westworth, <i>Sen. Deacon,</i>
Alexander Gregor, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Andrew Hitchings, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Jos. Dibble Hoyt Chamberlin, <i>Jun. Warden,</i>	John Conrad Schmidt, <i>Marshal,</i>
Charles William Long, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Jacob Loewenthal, } <i>Stewards,</i>
John Sutherland Murray, <i>Secretary,</i>	John Emil Backens, }
John Sedgfield Thompson, <i>Chaplain,</i>	Andrew William Anderson, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Charles William Long,	Obediah Stephen Silkwood,	John Sutherland Murray, Jr.
John Sutherland Murray,	Stephen Grant Whipple,	Amasa Plummer Flaglor,
John Andrew Watson,	John Conrad Schmidt,	Charles Frederick Roberts.
Silas Montgomery Buck,		

MASTER MASONS:

Abernethy, Alexander	Ditman, William	McKellar, Donald
Allen, Leverett Ira	Doe, Herman S.	McLoud, James Archibald
Axe, Frederick	Foster, William Wallace	McNamara, William Jellet
Barman, Henry	Gross, Reuben	Pine, Safford Fay
Barman, Mayo	Haensel, Julius H. G.	Pratt, David James
Bell, Charles	Hanna, James	Richardson, Charles
Bendixen, Hans Ditler	Hanna, William Patterson	Robbins, Jos. Marcus Wyght
Bigelow, Charles Edwin	Hansell, Amos	Sanders, Martin
Brown, Philbrook	Harmon, Charles Treadwell	Scott, D. Clinton
Bryce, William	Heney, George Kelton	Stein, Thomas Crozier
Bullock, Nathaniel	Hoalton, Michael	Stegemeire, Henry
Calberg, Gustav Frederick	Inman, Jerry	Stewart, James Hughes
Campbell, Alexander	Jones, William	Stewart, Joseph Scott
Carson, George	Koenig, Lawrence	Stuart, Joseph Martin
Carson, Thomas	Le Vasseur, William	Taylor, Jonathan Frank
Carson, William	Marhoffer, Joseph Edward	Thompson, Hiram Freeman
Chester, Martin Theodore	Marshall, Robert	Wentworth, Eben Clinton
Cousins, Edwin Brooks	Matraw, Benjamin Franklin	Wyman, Justus Edwin
Cutler, Thomas	Maxwell, Robert	Young, William
Davidson, Jas. Willoughby A.	McCullens, David	Young, Nelson—80.
Dennis, Christ'r Cummings		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Henderson, James William—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Buhne, Hans Herrick West, William Alfred—2

WITHDRAWN:

Kelly, Henry Purdue—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Pickard, Daniel—1.

DIED:

Brett, Richard Wilson—1.

IONE LODGE, No. 80.**Ione City, Amador County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

William Arthur Bennetts, <i>Master</i> ,	Albert Charles Waltenspiel, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
James Phillip Surface, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Franklin Stewart, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Andrew Whitaker, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	John Whitten Surface, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Inglefield Burwell Gregory, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Weakley Huston, }
John Dabney Perkins, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Louis Emil Schoenemann, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Hamilton Gregory, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Junius Farnsworth,	John Whitten Surface,	John Marchant,
Alonzo King Dudley,	Abner Edward Calloway,	John Dabney Perkins.
James Cummings,	Bernhard Isaacs,	

MASTER MASONS:

Atkinson, William Wallace	Hamrick, Jesse Culbert	Newman, George
Bailey, William Smith	Hall, Henry Franklin	Nixon, Lyman
Black, Charles Sidney	Hartman, John	Pardoe, Reuben Summerfield
Brusie, Luther	Henley, Elihu Shields	Spencer, Sheldon
Burriss, William Oscar	Henley, Jonathan Specker	Sutherland, William
Clark, Hugh	Hubbard, Charles John	Walker, James Cox
Clifton, Thomas	Johnston, Wm. Kirkland	Walker, Samuel Nunn
Cook, William	Jonas, Morris	Wallace, William B.
Crabtree, Isaac Jackson	Lamb, Frederick	Whitlach, Daniel Harry
Crawford, Andrew Kerr	Livermore, James	Williams, Calvin Fletcher
Dillian, Benjamin Franklin	McMurry, James William	Woolsey, Robert Sneden
Fitzsimmons, John	Newman, Jacob	Zyss, Charles—53.

FELLOW CRAFT:

White, John Ambrose—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Fox, William Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Hartman, Oliver Cromwell

Richards, Thomas—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Haverstick, George

Richey, William Carroll—2.

YOLO LODGE, No. 81.**Cacheville, Yolo County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Abraham Griffith, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles Henry Bork, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Ulysses Socrates Dewey, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Lewis Cramer, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Hall, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	David Pitt Diggs, <i>Marshal</i> ,
James Madison Pockman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Wm. Wellington Woodward, }
Richard Solomon Markell, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Hermann Seltenheim, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
George Knapp, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Alex. Hamilton Willard,
David Schindler,

Abraham Griffith,
Charles Wesley Hadley,

Godfrey Rodolph.

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, David Quincy
Ayers, Armenius Smith
Ayers, Orwell Fernandes
Brown, James Washington
Brown, Hiram Solomon
Clark, Noble
Davidson, Morris
Freeman, John Watts

Gable, Amos William
Gable, Harvey Clinton
Geary, George Jones
Hannum, Warren Wayne
Hartsough, John Benjamin
Hoffman, Augustus
Hulbert, Daniel Bradley
Jackson, Calvin

Lemieux, Paul
Pace, John Lewis
Spencer, William Francis
Strong, George
Sussman, Max Adolph
Tebbs, Lilburn Ely
Woodward, Geo. Washington
Woodward, Edward Dirgy

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ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Houx, Daniel Franklin

Thomas, George Washington—2.

RIISING STAR LODGE, No. 83.**Forest Hill, Placer County.**

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Ersline Allen, *Master*,
Joel Franklin Smith, *Senior Warden*,
Jacob L. Welker, *Junior Warden*,
Ambrose Hall Cowden, *Treasurer*,
Andrew Morehead, *Secretary*,

Charles Trafton, *Senior Deacon*,
Christian Volland, *Junior Deacon*,
Archibald McKinley, *Marshal*,
Thomas Scott, }
Louis Blumenthal, } *Stewards*,

Francis Walker Allan, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Francis Walker Allan,
Ambrose Hall Cowden,

James Russell Glover,

Jacob Warwick Byrd.

MASTER MASONS:

Alexander, Edward
Allen, John E.
Bower, David L.
Carter, John Franklin
Chesebro, Erastus F.
Davis, John Lloyd
Dewey, Charles Hitchcock
Fagan, Pierce Bye
Fast, John Henry Adolph
Goff, Abner W.

Henson, William Turner
Hodges, James
Hosmer, Daniel Mansfield
Hosmer, Thomas Norwood
Huntley, Asahel
Jones, Benjamin
Jones, John D.
Landers, John Martin
Lind, Charles
McClure, Samuel

Powell, Peyton
Read, Albert Gallatin
Seifer, George Henry
Soule, Kendrick Bancroft
Tubbs, Martin Barnum
White, Walter Raleigh
Willard, Simon Sylvester
Williams, Richard
Yapp, Frederick George

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ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Rea, William—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Acker, Edward M.
Johnson, Magnies

Larabee, Samuel Alonzo

Sanborn, John Lock—4.

VESPER LODGE, No. 84.

Red Bluff, Tehama County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Roderick Henry Bierce, <i>Master,</i>	Herman Henry Wiendieck, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Henry Charles Richart, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Samuel Porter Hicks, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Jerome Banks, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	William Boyd Parker, <i>Marshal,</i>
Otho Hamilton Collins, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Curtis Durkee Ballard, }
Horace Allen Mayhew, <i>Secretary,</i>	Joseph Henry Pryor, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Samuel Lewis, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters :

William David Olendorf,	Nathaniel Merrill,	Adoniram Judson Loomis,
William Boyd Parker,	Edward Jefferson Lewis,	John Clements.

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, William Moore	DeHaven, Jehiel Smith	Pulse, George
Alvord, Charles Theodore	DeHaven, Jos. Laps'y Gould	Rawson, Hiram Aaron
Bahney, Eugene William	Dobeas, Louis	Reiser, Ellis
Bean, Leroy S.	Fish, Charles Erskine	Roberts, James Bartle
Beecher, Gustavus Winfield	Frank, Samuel Francis	Schoenfeld, Jeremiah
Boatman, William	Gedney, David Wetmore	Schoenfeld, Salomon David
Brown, Martin Van Buren	Hansen, Hans	Schroeder, Aug. G. Bernard
Cadwalader, Charles	Healey, Lucien Bonaparte	Silver, Monard
Cahoone, William Brewer	Howard, William Henry	Smith, Joseph
Campbell, Charles Abijah	Howell, Thomas Newton	Swain, Theodore Slevin
Campbell, Ebenezer Shaw	Kauffman, Aug. Abraham	Tolly, Henry Harbinson
Campbell, Rememb. Hughes	Kingsley, George Leeman	Taylor, Fred. Adams
Campbell, William Clark	Lyon, Darwin Balcom	Thomas, Samuel S.
Champlain, Lester	Maller, Chas. Wm. David	Trace, Daniel
Chandler, Melvin Levern	Matlock, David B.	Vestal, Alexander
Cleghorn, Peter Morrison	Matlock, Allen Reaves	Vestal, George Wems
Cone, Joseph Spencer	Otto, Christian	Voluntine, John Chapman
Copeland, Hosmer Curtis	Pettijohn, Chris. Columbus	Wadsworth, Marsden Silas
Cornell, Herbert Seeley	Posner, Max	Williams, Manley Delos— 4.
Crocker, Nathan		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Hickman, Thomas Jefferson—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Fite, Abner Colwell—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Brown, John Wesley	Carthy, Patrick	Jeffres, George Woodson
Brownstein, Jacob	Champlin, George	Misch, Mayer
Boice, Thomas Cartmill	Gilson, Thomas	Shively, Peter Kramer
Cameron, James Strong	Hale, John Stuart	Woodman, Chas. Davis—12.

DIED :

Burger, James Samuel—1.

ST. MARK'S LODGE, No. 85.

Fiddletown, Amador County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Joseph McDonald Dunn, <i>Master</i> ,	George Washington McKee, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Hugh Harrison Bell, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Reuben Miller Dillon, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas William Easton, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Seth Loveless, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Columbus Allen Purinton, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Richard Head, <i>Steward</i> ,
Sabine Coolidge, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Joseph Mathews, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Charles Lee,	Jonathan Edmondson,	Robert King Clabourne,
Columbus Allen Purinton,	Seth Loveless,	George Washington McKee.
Andrew Patton Wood,		

MASTER MASONS :

Carr, Joseph Gorham	Hunstable, John Augustus	Payne, Moses
Cope, Benjamin Martin	Kohlert, John	Pettitt, Job Edward
Daynalt, George	Kuchenthal, Hy. Augustus	Rice, John Holland
Evenson, Ole	Little, Jackson	Tholen, Hermann Heinrich
Goodman, George	Miller, LaFayette	Tosh, John McCracken—30.
Horrell, Alex. Buckner		

WITHDRAWN :

Howard, Francis Augustus	Soliss, Daniel Blenois	Wernitz, Gabriel—3.
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DIED :

Williams, Jackson LaFayette—1.

SAINT LOUIS LODGE, No. 86.

Saint Louis, Sierra County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Alexander Carmichael, <i>Master</i> ,	John Carr McFarland, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Alexander Brown, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Mortimer Norton, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Gilbert McDonald, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Charles Smith, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Stahl, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Christian Swartz,
Benjamin Jacob Sammons, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Philander Cooper Bean,
	William Sherman, <i>Tyler</i> .

} *Stewards*,**Past Masters :**

Joel Eveland,	Elias Anderson,	Charles Smith,
Alemby, Jump,	Alexander Carmichael,	Thomas Alonzo McFarland.
Benj. Jacob Sammons,	John Burman,	

MASTER MASONS :

Atkinson, William Eldridge	Howe, Alonzo John	McNee, John Hunter
Bauer, Michael	Jenkins, John West	Morgan, William Rollin
Chittenden, Henry Hatfield	Jones, Austin	Owens, Owen
Cox, George Washington	Kline, Jacob	Pender, William Kattry
Davis, Jacob D.	Lawson, Andrew Gustave	Small, Jacob
Discombes, Francis	Leavitt, Granville Irving	Stout, Henry Conrad
Doud, Washington Cicero	Lisbon, Joseph Ribero	Stover, John Emmet
Ermatinger, Caspar	McCrory, Seneca	Taylor, Thomas Hamilton
Graves, Sewell Fogg	McDonald, Thomas	Thompson, Calvin Mason
Gourley, Fitz Allen	McLeod, John Robert	Trevel, Thomas
Gwynn, Edward	McNee, Alexander	Weir, Hiram George—50.
Hayes, Thomas		

WITHDRAWN :

Corbett, William Edward—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bennett, John Mulkey—1.

DIED :

Ross, Peter—1.

NAVAL LODGE, No. 87.

Vallejo, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, third Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Isaac Sherman Halsey, <i>Master</i> ,	Isaac Myers Rutan, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Christian Theo. B. Hallin, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	James Howland Jordan, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George William Simonton, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	William Wright Skinner, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Elkins Abbott, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Remmer J. Remmers Aden, }
George Fayette Mallett, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Henry Dexter, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Abraham Powell,	John Mills Browne,	Samuel Greely Hilborn,
Isaac Myers Rutan,	Osgood Hilton,	Charles Daly,
Peter Diggles Grimes,	Alex. Hopkins Hichborn,	Isaac Sherman Halsey.
George Fayette Mallett,		

MASTER MASONS:

Aden, John Remmers	Brownlie, Thomas	Farmer, John William
Aden, Melchart Remmers	Brownlie, William	Faust, John
Ammerup, Gottlieb Adolph	Bruce, Henry	Ford, Henry Jones
Aspenall, William	Carman, Ambrose Sherman	Fowler, Lucius Corodon
Benas, Benjamin	Chandler, Robert	Frisbie, Eleazer
Bell, George	Clausen, Ernst August	Goldsworthy, Thomas
Bell, John	Crowley, Thomas Jefferson	Hall, Henry Knox
Blewett, Edward	Dannenbaum, Solomon	Harper, John Martin
Bond, Jonathan	Donnelly, Samuel	Haskin, Enoch William
Brownlie, James	Drake, Frank	Harrier, Daniel Webster
Brownlie, John	En Young, Charles	Henderson, Orrington Lunt

Hilton, Nathaniel Gould	McPike, Andrew Jackson	Shillingsburg, William
Hodgkins, Edwin Address	Miller, George Henry	Snow, Hiram King
Hogan, James Rinds	Moden, Erick Gabriel	Stark, Theodore Chapin
Holmes, Ensign Kimball	Moran, Owen	Sundquest, Ernst William
Jones, William	Munroe, Joseph Wellington	Thomas, John, Jr.
King, John Loveall	O'Brien, Edward William	Titcomb, John Locke
Kirk, Samuel Barnard	O'Neil, Henry	Toothaker, Harvey Puringt'n
Klink, Nathaniel Baker	Pitchford, John Benjamin	Topley, James
Kloppenburg, Dan. Wilhelm	Powell, James Henry	Tripp, William Henry
Leach, Frank Aleaman	Richart, George Bowman	Voorhees, Albert Parsons
Leber, William Samuel	Richardson, Henry Douglass	Wall, Charles John
Little, Samuel	Ross, David Campbell	Warren, Oscar Fritzland
Maltby, John Edward	Rothenbush, Peter	Whitman, Russell
McCobb, Abiel Henry	Rounds, George	Widenman, Charles
McDaniel, Roland Jackson	Rutherford, David	Williston, John Edward
McIntosh, David	Savage, Thomas	Wilson, George Wilkins
McLees, Edmund	Schild, George Ferdinand	Wright, Martin Jeremiah

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ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Barnes, Douglas Gibson

Haraszthy, Bela

Quant, George—3.

WITHDRAWN :

Clark, Thomas

Silverman, Caleb Louis

Spotts, James Hanna—4.

Gibson, Adolph Benjamin

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Barbour, Jas. Hutchinson King Miller, George Morrison Miller, Peter Brewer—3.

DIED:

Bagley, Asa Cummings

Hobbs, Isaac—2.

QUITMAN LODGE, No. 88.

Moore's Flat, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

James Redington, <i>Master</i> ,	Ole Justin Torsion, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Wm. Franklin Cummings, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Rush Dix Skidmore, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Wallace Pryde, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Henry Wherman,
George Washington Brown, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Robert Dickieson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Samuel Caldwell, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Christian Jensen, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Solomon Lucien Blackwell,

James Reid,

James Redington.

MASTER MASONS :

Atwater, Henry	Edwards, George	Hickman, John Claiborne
Barturi, Guadalupe Lopez	Farley, George Sidney	Hill, Robert
Bremond, Camille Gustavus	Germiquet, Louis Adolphe	Jepsen, Christian Otto
Crandall, Thaddeus Phelps	Hellwig, John Henry	Kaulbeck, Henry

Long, William David	Rauch, Alexander	Tilton, Cornelius Arnold
Martin, John	Stokes, David	Vierow, Alfred
McNulty, Henry	Stone, John	Webster, Geo. Washington
Nelson, John	Tewes, Henry C.	Williams, William Owen
Quinn, Michael		—37.

WITHDRAWN :

Burns, Henry Quinn, James—2.

DIED :

Miller, Charles—1.

ROSE'S BAR LODGE, No. 89.

Smartsville, Yuba County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Joseph A. Flint, <i>Master</i> ,	Peter Fitzpatrick, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Reuben Davis, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Barker, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Asher Park Brown, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	James Monk, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Ray Wilkins Tift, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Caston England, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Taylor McConnell, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thomas Odgers, }
Richard Beatty, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Samuel Josiah Smith Rogers,	Joseph A. Flint,	Matthew Halford Jackson.
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MASTER MASONS :

Baldwin, Edw'd Augustus	Harris, Thomas	McFadden, Thomas Henry
Brown, David	Hatch, Martin Payne	McNutt, John Fleming
Clarke, Levi Blaisdell	Hogarth, Henry	Pierce, James Pieronnet
Davey, John	Hosken, Joseph	Presley, Allen
Dikeman, Samuel Henry	Huffman, Henry Jackson	Roberts, Mark
Dowd, Thomas	Kendall, Henry	Schroeder, John Frederick
Duhain, Charles Clovis	McAllis, John	Washburn, Wm. Dexter—35
Edwards, John		

NORTH STAR LODGE, No. 91.

Fort Jones, Siskiyou County.

Stated Meetings, second Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Michael Slater, <i>Master</i> ,	Henry Charles Jewett, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Tyler Moxley, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Charles Henry Fletcher, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Denton Shelly, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Isaac Roberts, <i>Marshal</i> ,
David Hbrn, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Absalom Hart, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Israel Smith Mathews, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Samuel Davidson, }
Isaac Hamilton, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Francis Edward Ensign,	Alexander Peter McCarton,	Elton Thompson Bailey,
Daniel Ream,	Israel Smith Mathews,	Henry Jonas Diggles

MASTER MASONS:

Bean, Edmund	Glendenning, William	Owens, Alexander
Brown, Erasmus Downen	Gray, Charles Alexander	Root, William Jay
Christie, John	Hammond, Charles Fred'k	Sell, Adam B.
Conner, Jacob	Kunz, Felix	Short, John
Churchwell, Rich'd Bartlett	Lincoln, John August	Ward, Bruce Stanley
Crawford, John Emerson	Lindsay, Richard Scruggs,	Wilson, Hiram
Faurot, Isaac	Luttrell, John King	Young, John Wesley—38.
Fletcher, James Henry		

FELLOW CRAFT :

Carlock, Hamilton Marshall—1

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Dangle, Joseph Henderson, John Shaw, Luke—3.

WITHDRAWN:

Day, Edward Levi Fairchild, John Abraham—2.

DIED:

McCoy, James Harvey—1.

ACACIA LODGE, No. 92.**Coloma, El Dorado County.***Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Commodore Perry Young, <i>Master,</i>	Francis Nicholls, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
William David Othick, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Johnston Robertson Stuckslager, <i>J. Dea.,</i>
Henry Mahler, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Hugh Bell Newell, <i>Marshal,</i>
Adam Lohry, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Daniel Teuscher, } <i>Stewards,</i>
John Price, <i>Secretary,</i>	James Glover, }
Joseph Anderhalden, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters:

Albert Wright Cullum,	Andrew Jackson Christie,	Commodore Perry Young.
Robert Chalmers,	Hugh Bell Newell,	

MASTER MASONS :

Allison, Hiram	Evans, Edward Harlan	Norris, Joseph Spencer
Anable, James Wesley	Haderle, John	Patterson, William Lytle
Bassi, Giosue	Killough, John Wesley	Pelton, Stephen
Benjamin, DeWitt Clinton	Levy, Joseph	Ramsey, George W.
Blundell, Joseph R.	Lohry, John Henry	Rasmussen, John Andrew
Brock, James Joseph	Markham, Charles Edward	Sheilds, Michael
Dryer, John L.	Merrill, Charles Edward	Teuscher, John Harvey—35.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Weller, Elias—1.

ST. HELENA LODGE, No. 93.

St. Helena, Napa County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Dimsdill Burr Carver, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles Andrew Gardner, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
John Sebastian Fruits, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Wirt Bradbury, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Charles Howard, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Cornelius Etting Davis, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Julius Eugene Straus, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Thomas Simmons, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Hall Allison, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Nathan Albert Morford, }
James McGee, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Edward Lewis Levéy,	Chas. Francis Al's Nichell,	John Sebastian Fruits,
John Hall Allison,	William Thomas Simmons,	George Lander.
Dimsdill Burr Carver,		

MASTER MASONS:

Baldrige, William	Hanson, William	Phillips, William Lucas
Brown, Gabriel Franklin	Hoover, John	Rampendahl, August Chas.
Burnett, Peter	Jordan, Daniel Milan	Rampendahl, Otto
Clark, Samuel Gilman	Lane, Robert Forester	Ruker, Conrad
Cliff, John Franklin	Lazarus, Leopold	Sanderson David
Dawson, Wm. Jas. Greenley	McGeorge, Nath'l Thomas	Simmons, Edwin Parker
Dewar, John Robert	Mecklenberg, Joseph	Strode, Samuel Evans
Dinning, William	Musgrove, Stewart Haril	Weinberger, John Christian
Eubank, Richard Garnett	Newkirk, Isaac James	Wright, James Madison
Forister, John	Olsen, August	York, Eli McBride
Galewsky, David	Peel, William	Young, Bird Sidney—48.
Greer, Thomas		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Levy, Eli Julius—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Cole, Henry

Harris, William Milton—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Blaner, Charles—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Friedburg, Abraham

Safford, Thomas Jefferson

Ware, Edward Goodline—5.

Johnston, Henry Burr

Tucker, Bird

HENRY CLAY LODGE, No. 95.

Sutter Creek, Amador County.

*Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

John Elisha Russell, <i>Master</i> ,	Henry Weston, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Lithgow, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Bunt, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Isaac Newton Templeton, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Morris Brinn, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Vincent Lutnesky, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Norman Bruce Parks, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
David Anderson Patterson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Nickolas Millosovich, }
John Jelmini, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Alvinza Hayward,
Thomas Dunlap,

Henry Peck,
Morris Brinn,

Jesse Blackburn Maxey,
William Henry Gunsolas.

MASTER MASONS :

Adams, John Quincy
Allen, George
Bastion, James
Brown, William Henry
Burke, Thomas Jefferson
Campbell, John Mis
Cook, Philormon
Culbert, Thomas Lilly
Dawe, Ambrose John
Davison, William Francis
Davies, David Thomas
Deacon, Hiram
Fagan, Peter

Fleming, Joseph
Fleming, Thomas
Gerrins, John
Harville, George
Howard, Francis Augustus
Johnini, Jacob
Kelly, John Barnes
Lewis, Lemuel Thomas
Maestretto, Angelo
Marr, Doff Neely
Marr, Kinzey Falkner
McDonald, Angus

Mitchell, William
Moore, Stephen
Mullen, Patrick
Peterson, Charles Henry
Phipps, John Anthony
Post, John McDougal
Poundstone, Laurence Ryder
Pratt, James Sturgis
Styles, George Washington
Svircich, Frank
Vance, Richard
Weil, Aaron—53.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Macy, Albert Francis—1.

DIED :

Avellos, Joseph Jacinto—1.

HOWARD LODGE, No. 96.**Yreka, Siskiyou County.**

Stated Meetings, second Monday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Hudson B. Gillis, <i>Master</i> ,	John Morris Walbridge, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Norton Harvey Eddy, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Benjamin Franklin Smith, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Claus Schnackenberg, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Jurgen Osterman, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William McConnell, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Samuel White,
John William Bird, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Castleton Eddy,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
Nicholas Young, (of <i>St. John's</i> , No. 37,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

David Ream,
Franklin Augustus Rogers,

John Morris Walbridge,
James Dewitt,

James Vance,
Francis Riley.

MASTER MASONS:

Autenreith, Louis
Brannan, Thomas
Brown, Mitchell Alex.
Carrick, Elijah
Crooks, Andrew Donaldson
Doten, Josiah Wilson
Fabricius, Andrew Jackson
Field, Charles C.
Hirst, Rolandus Porter

Jackson, Andrew
Jones, John Johnson
Lasource, Edmund
Lodge, Robert James
Lytle, James Alexander
McConaughy, James
McGillivray, Joseph
McKay, Alexander
Mixer, Isaac Doten

Morse, Henry Asa
Nichols, Henry
Parker, Samuel F.
Simmons, George
Turner, William Wallace
Wadsworth, Henry
Walbridge, Henry Wilson
Whittier, John Franklin

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ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Jones, Alfred McLellan

Walters, Jacob—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Fowler, John Kendricks

Johnson, Lawrence H.

Truitt, Henry—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

White, James Melville—1.

DIED:

Smith, Charles Dezay—1.

JEFFERSON LODGE, No. 97.

La Porte, Plumas County.

Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Maxwell Gaddis Hill, *Master*,Charles William Hendel, *Senior Deacon*,Alexander McIntosh, *Senior Warden*,Henry Mason, *Junior Deacon*,James Monroe Pike, *Junior Warden*,John Hiram Thomas, *Marshal*,Benjamin Wilcox Barnes, *Treasurer*,

John Milton Mussey,

Dixon Brabban, *Secretary*,John Hutchinson Robertson, } *Stewards*,Owen H. Evans, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Maxwell Gaddis Hill,

Benjamin Wilcox Barnes,

John Milton Mussey.

MASTER MASONS:

Clough, Greenleaf Greeley

Eberle, Francis Xavier

Mullen, Nathaniel B.

Derosiers, Henry

Evans, John Newton

Perrier, Desire

Derosiers, Peter

Finnemore, Thomas Noble

Rowland, Richard

Early, William Theodore

Lloyd, John Preston

Ruppert, Charles—23.

WITHDRAWN:

Crew, Alexander Hill—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Lundquist, Errick—1.

HORNITOS LODGE, No. 98.

Hornitos, Mariposa County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

William Adams, *Master*,Edwin Baskersville, *Senior Deacon*,Thomas Wark, *Senior Warden*,David Stewart Kirkpatrick, *Jun. Deacon*,William Smith Thomas, *Junior Warden*,George Edward Webber, *Marshal*,Charles Merck, *Treasurer*,David Mitchell Pool, } *Stewards*,Samuel Walker Carr, *Secretary*,

McHenry Morrison, }

Jean Martin, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Samuel Walker Carr,

Alfred Winslow Clough,

William Adams.

Alexander McElroy,

David Stewart Kirkpatrick,

MASTER MASONS:

Bailey, Nathaniel Ashe	Floyd, William Benjamin	Olcese, Andrew
Buhlmann, John Gottlieb	Grade, William Adolphe	Palmer, Edgar Thomas
Cavagnaro, Carlo	Hunter, William Wilkin	Spagnoli, Joseph
Clarke, John Francis	Lepetich, George	Washington, Patrick
Clindiannin, And. Wellington	Newman, Maurice Henry	Williams, Henry—28.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Berkesley, Richard	Reeb, George	Tippett, Samuel—3.
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WITHDRAWN:

Goucher, George Gillette—1.

LA GRANGE LODGE, No. 99.

Merced, Merced County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Hiram Newton Rucker, <i>Master</i> ,	Aaron Badt, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Peter Robert Murray, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Charles Edgar Fleming, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Richard Langbein, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Carter Landram, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Moses Goldman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Levinsky,
Silas Wright Geis, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Allen Barker, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Frederick Becker, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Frederick Lebright,	Silas Wright Geis,	Hiram Newton Rucker,
Frederick Becker,	Carter Landram,	John Harmony Appling.
Samuel Claghorn Bates,		

MASTER MASONS:

Barber, Matthew Orrin	Howeth, Nelson	Silver, Salomon
Barnard, John Kirk	Howeth, William S.	Simons, Ion
Blumenthal, Bernhard	Hurford, John Samuel	Stevens, Abram Robinson
Bonney, John Allen	Laird, Eleazer Ginnes	Stoddard, Eben'r Maxwell
Burton, Thomas Nelson	Lang, Edward	Stoneroad, Geo. Washington
Cunningham, James	Marks, Charles Henry	Thompson, John William
Davis, Reuben Turtelotte	Oppenheim, Benjamin	Utter, Eliakim Stannard
Douglass, William Frazer	Reed, John Truman	Welch, Payton Young
Garibaldi, Giacomo	Rochelle, Wm. Lawrence	Wynn, William
Hall, Thomas	Roes, Henry Christian	Yelland, Walter—44.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Isaacs, George Edwin—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Chapman, Emery Washington	Hughes, William	Johnson, Samuel—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Hardwick, William Jefferson	Morton, James	Welch, Lucilius Arthur—5.
Levingston, Charles Chancellor	Stripling, Elijah	

CAMPO SECO LODGE, No. 100.

Campo Seco, Calaveras County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

James Creighton, <i>Master</i> ,	Anthony Anderson, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Hiram Ashley Messenger, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Celestine Ugo, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Cavagnaro, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Daniel Mehrstens, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Woolley, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Tracy Stroud, }
William Ranslear Terry, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Isaac Brown Cowdry, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Hiram Ashley Messenger,	James Creighton.
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MASTER MASONS:

Ashley, Louis	Hunt, Daniel	Orengo, Benjamin
Bacigaluppi, John August'o	Jenkins, Robert Reed	Palmer, John Wm. Denel
Gibeau, John	Mead, Nathan Benjamin	Redmond Robert Mitchell
Hinckley, Joseph Johnson	Meyer, Jacob Frederick	Syme, Elias Redmond
Holman, Ira Newfield	O'Hare, Thomas	Wells, Thomas—25.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Freeman, Charles Amos—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Conrad, George Allen Weithoff, William—2.

DIED:

Wilkins, John—1.

CLAY LODGE, No. 101.

Dutch Flat, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Elias Lowe McClure, <i>Master</i> ,	Henry Ells, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Bell Rathburn, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Samuel Edward Swensson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Robert Winders, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Charles Mann Kopp, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Melvin Syms Gardiner, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Wallace Mitchell, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Isaac Tibbetts Coffin, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Herman Rudolph Hudepohl, }
Valentine Curren, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Benjamin Franklin Moore,	Isaacs Tibbetts Coffin,	Melvin Syms Gardiner,
Samuel Baker Harriman,	William Henry Kruger,	Ephraim Marriner Thomas,
Thomas Pattinson,		

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, Thomas	Comstock, Charles Carlos	Floyd, Benjamin
Ball, William Charles	Davidson, George Henry	Floyd, John Smith
Bennett, Christopher	Diner, Henry	Gifford, Robert
Bradley, Elisha Lafayette	Disque, Henry	Griffin, Oliver
Cabot, George Colburn	Drynan, Alexander	Griffiths, Benjamin James
Cecil, John M.	Endean, William	Grohs, Frederick Peter
Cloudman, Octavius King	Fiddler, William Kindry	Huse, John James

Huysink, Bernard Henry	Maker, George S.	Simons, Henry
Josink, Bernard Henry	Martin, Noble	Snell, Frederick
Keeler, William Henry	Michell, William Frederick	Stehr, Henry
Kelsey, Henry Clay	Nichols, Thomas Jefferson	Vincent, Nicholas
Lakamp, John Henry	Northrup, Joseph	Whistler, William Girard
Maguire, Francis Turner	Rose, David	Whitton, Morral—55.

MANZANITA LODGE, No. 102.

North San Juan, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Anson Burlingame Swan, <i>Master</i> ,	Frank Napoleon Morris, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Edw'd Lancaster, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Frederick Cook, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Lamberton McIntire, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	John Storer McBride, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John German, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Gordon Dickson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Elon White, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Trood,
	Alonzo Willis Ovitt, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

John Benedick Hunter,	John Ambrose Seely,	Elon White.
John Storer McBride,	George Cummings Spooner,	

MASTER MASONS:

Abrahams, Lewis	Freeman, Thomas	Netter, Nathan
Bank, Frederick William	Furth, Simon	Noblett, William Berry
Barger, William Franklin	Gilbert, Josiah Stephens	Pascoe, Erasmus
Bell, Vincent George	Harris, Aron	Phillips, Reubin
Bickford, Leon'd Hathaway	Harris, Thomas	Powers, Amos Matthew
Billing, John	Holden, John George	Rich, Henry Hudson
Bristow, William	Huff, William	Rosendale, Otto Emanuel
Buhring, Louis	Inder, Job Staples	Scheurman, Charles
Butler, Patrick Henry	Jepsen, Jacob	Sharp, James Cohn
Cadwallader, Niram	Jones, William Arthur	Stott, James
Callaghan, Samuel	Lane, John	Thomas, Richard
Chisholm, James	Macklin, Henry	Thomas, William Davis
Cull, Henry	McAllister, Fred'k Henry	Treanor, James McWade
Cunard, James Henry	McCoy, John	Trood, William
Davis, William Morgan	McCullough, James	Tucker, Joseph Bernard
Dickson, Joseph Moore	Morgan, John Thomas	Williams, Wm. William
Dunning, William	Morris, James Dougherty	Woodruff, Aphek Lorenzo
Fitter, John	Nankervis, John	—67.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Rogers, William James—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Bell, Francis Hiram—1.

OROVILLE LODGE, No. 103.

Oroville, Butte County.

Stated Meetings, last Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

David King Perkins, <i>Master</i> ,	Thomas Boyd Hutchins, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Arthur McDermott, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Edward Oregon Rollins, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Sumner Higgins, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Washington Ross, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
David Bright Hays, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Houston Helms,
Seth Sprague Boynton, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Constantine Mitchell, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

George Clement Perkins,	Elijah Star Ruggles,	John Carleton Gray,
Isaac Upham,	Charles Burroughs,	David King Perkins.
Thomas Jarrett Jenkins,	Charles Hart Wilcox,	

MASTER MASONS:

Armstrong, William Lizars	Featherstone, William	Nelson, Alfred David
Becker, Frederick John	Fryer, Derrick F.	Ostroski, Samuel
Bliss, William Young	Grubbs, Richard Champion	Parker, Ralzemond
Bowden, James Frederick	Halstead, Ethan Allen	Pearson, Thomas Coak
Braselton, Augustus Cicero	Harris, Jacob	Portman, Joseph
Bridgeman, Eugene Edwin	Hendricks, Thos. Pollock	Reynolds, Horace
Brooks, Frank	Hewitt, John Broughton	Rumley, Hewston David
Brooks, Max	Hundley, Patrick Ogilby	Rutherford, James
Chambers, Nicholas Theo.	Hutton, William Denton	Scharlin, John Aaron
Clark, Albert	Jackson, St. John	Shear, George
Curnow, William Wells	Johnson, Reuben Clarke	Simon, Lewis Aaron
Day, Elias Warner	Johnson, Thomas	Stearns, Amos Keis
DeLancie, Richard	Krengle, Joseph	Wagner, Frank
Durham, George Waddell	Leonard, John Pearce	Whittier, Merrill
Dyer, George Washington	Logan, James Columbus	Welsh, Thomas
Edmunds, William	McDermott, Wm. Patrick	Wheeler, James
Faulkner, Thomas	Morgan, Watkin	Young, Samuel D.—68.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Putnam, William Monroe	Worth, George—2.
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WITHDRAWN:

Bett, John—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Crum, John Harvey	Morrill, John Calvin	Snow, Lucius Augustus—5.
Kinney, John Leander	Nelson, John	

LEXINGTON LODGE, No. 104.

Lexington, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Peter Penfold, <i>Master</i> ,	George Ruel Goodwin, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Jesse Bransford Gunnels, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Richard Quinn, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Wesley Broaded, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Robert Jackson Floyd, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Nehemiah Beardslee, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Stephen Penfold,
Douglass Snyder, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Cronise Harman,
	Abner Bowen McDaniel, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Richard Chamberlain Fryer,	Peter Penfold,	George Clinton Gibbs,
Francis Pliny Fisk Temple,	Dayton Alonzo Reed,	William Henry Hill.
Asa Ellis,		

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, Samuel McKee	Gray, Josiah Holcomb	Peck, George Huntington
Avis, Jesse	Guess, John	Shrode, David Shaw
Barnes, James Coleman	Hammer, Samuel Crawford	Smith, Thomas Cornelius
Bowers, Wesley Clay	Hayes, Russell Thayer	Smoot, Humphrey
Bunyard, James Beal	Hays, John	Thronson, Christian
Cabanis, Lewis George	Hicks, Leroy Jefferson	Tyler, Edmon Brown
Davis, James Lewis	Huie, James Madison	Tyler, Montgomery Fugerson
Fryer, John William	Lambourn, Frederick	Winston, William Henry
Gibbs, Albert	Parrish, Elkanah C.	—43.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Bealle, Malcolm Dent—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bowden, William	Gilmer, Major Anthony	Mayes, Robert Henry
Boyd, John Houston	Greening, Earl Godwin	Rubottom, William Wiley
Caldwell, Andrew Becton	Lowry, Hiram Nelson	Swigart, Thomas Cooper—9.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Blakeslee, Stephen Barnett	Downs, Francis Edward	Wilson, George Alonzo—3
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ARCATA LODGE, No. 106.**Arcata, Humboldt County.***Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Byron Deming, <i>Master,</i>	George Zehendner, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Wm. H'y Harrison Heckman, <i>Sen. Ward.,</i>	Obadiah Hill Spring, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Richard Brent Cave, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Levi Force, <i>Marshal,</i>
George Harpst, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Hibbard Seth Daniels, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Charles Smith, <i>Secretary,</i>	James Kemp, }
	William Nixon, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Byron Deming,	John W. Hinton,	John Smith Thomson.
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MASTER MASONS:

Boom, Stanley Cornelius	Dorherty, Patrick	McKenna, William John
Bowen, Gardner Case	Ellis, James Wardrope	Murphy, William Hill
Brown, Edgar	Engel, Peter	Ousley, Geo. Washington
Brown, Thomas McGinnis	Falk, Noah H.	Robinson, Francis Henry
Bull, John Clark	Greenwald, Julius	Stern, Bernard Frank
Carey, John Test	Hale, Edward	Thomson, George
Chandler, Geo. Washington	Harpst, John	Whitten, Frank George—36.
Cullberg, Isaac	Hawton, Robert	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Brizard, Alexander—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Adams, Maxwell Barry	Newman, William	Woodward, Chesley—4.
Jacoby, Augustus		

OWEN LODGE, No. 108.

Scott's Bar, Siskiyou County.

*Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Elisha Jacobs, <i>Master</i> ,	William Thomas Butcher, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Marfield, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Hamlet Green, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Barnaby Leduc, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Warren Guilford Holmes, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Greenbury Anderson Hicks, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Job Garretson,
Sigmund Simon, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Merril Augustus Roper,
	James Harrison Lindsey, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Benjamin Jacobs,	Sigmund Simon	Warren Guilford Holmes.
John Marfield,		

MASTER MASONS:

Austin, Timothy Dearborn	Lannes, Antoine Prosper	Peterson, Peter Payson
Coldwell, Dan	McKinney, Henry Spear	Rogers, William Marion
Gibson, William	Meamber, Augustus	Tickner, Henry Chartel—22.
Goodale, Oliver Warren		

DIED:

Isaacs, John—1.

DIBBLE LODGE, No. 109.

Omega, Nevada County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Sanford Orrin Pease, <i>Master</i> ,	Sylvester Cummings Chase, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Elisha Hampton, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Elbridge Thackery Worthly, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
Elzever Eagye, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Frederick Doose, <i>Marshal</i> ,
George Crawford Shaw, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Dudley Cobb,
Josiah Sanders, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Frederick Freeman,
	John McBean, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Sanford Orrin Pease,	Francis Marion Hathaway.
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MASTER MASONS:

Bronges, Henry	Foster, Wilson	Rose, James
Eshbach, David M.	Legg, Thomas	Tompkins, Elijah Obadiah
Flanery, Wm. Henderson	Muncy, John	Wilkison, Henry Franklin
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ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Lang, John—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Fletcher, Wm. B. Christy	Pasco, Benjamin Franklin	Sanders, Wm. Henry—3.
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PAJARO LODGE, No. 110.

Watsonville, Santa Cruz County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

James LaFayette Halsted, <i>Master</i> ,	Alexander B. Chalmers, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Ingham, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Robert Thomas Gallagher, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
George Melville Bowman, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Charles Lewis Thomas, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Nelson Besse, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Charles Osgood Cummings, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Jerome Porter, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Lewis Allen See, }
Hiram Davis Connell, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	John Allen Howard, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Dorastus Johnson,	Thomas Beck,	William George Hudson,
John Burton Tyus,	Charles Lewis Thomas,	Thomas Grafton Lambert.
James Waters,	William Wallace Ross,	

MASTER MASONS:

Alexander, Abraham	Fowler, Charles	Porter, John Thomas
Alexander, Andrew	Gagnon, Michael	Purcell, George Manzey
Aldrich, David Metcalf	Goldwater, Julius Abram	Robinson, John Logan
Aldridge, Franklin	Greenbaum, William	Rodgers, Abram Wiley
Andrews, Bela Sargent	Hamner, Samuel Jordan	Rodgers, George Donald
Barham, John All	Harris, Anson	Rodgers, James Martin
Bergsten, Franz Wilhelm	Hill, Daniel	Rodgers, Wm Donaldson
Blankenship, James Allan	Holst, Gerhard Tonsberg	Sanborn, John Leavitt
Brassel, Hans Peter	Hopkins, Edw'd Townsend	Sanborn, Lucius
Brewington, Geo. Hamilton	Hudson, Mark Antony	Smith, Charles Frederick
Brown, James Henry	Ketchum, Morgan Lewis	Smith, Samuel Cecil
Brown, John Bernard	Landrum, Wm. Merrimon	St. Clair, Prewitt
Brownstone, David	Legassic, John	St. Paul, Gaston de
Burland, Robert	Leland, Thomas	Stowe, John Johnson
Burson, David Henry	Lewis, Alexander	Thompson, John
Chapman, Jere'h Sheldon	Libbey, James Lewis	Thompson, John Henry
Clough, David Morrill	Lund, Hans Jangenson	Thurber, John Wesley
Condit, Amos Wallace	Magetti, Celestine	Tonzi, Dominic
Cox, John Francis	Marcus, Samuel Bill	Trafton, George Arthur
Courtwright, William Henry	Martin, Enos James	Trafton, John Edmund
Craig, Andrew	Moffat, Thomas	Walsworth, Wesley
Crowner, Ezra Alfred	Morris, Moses	Weeks, James Edmund
Davis, Thomas Miller	Mynott, Elvin Farner	Westerfield, James Costar
Dean, Porcius Festus	O'Neal, Charles	West, Danforth
Dean, Thomas R.	Orton, Robert	White, George Horton
Dorn, Nicode's And'w Jack'n	Parker, Thomas Coke	White, James
Drew, Charles Augustus	Payne, John Sydney	Williams, Felix
Duro, James Burton	Phelan, Martin	Willover, Mark
Dutherow, David Roan	Pierce, Fred. Addison	Wilson, William
English, Felix Grundy	Pierce, Galen Austin	Woods, Abraham Chace
Ford, Charles	Porter, Danforth	—111.

RESTORED:

Thompson, Samuel—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Eastman, Francis Augustus—1.

DIED:

Bush, Philip

Hussey, Eldridge Mills

WITHDRAWN:

Thompson, Samuel—1.

EXPELLED:

Griswold, Norman Richard—1.

Van Dorn, William—3.

CHICO LODGE, No. 111.

Chico, Butte County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

William Tomes Turner, <i>Master</i> ,	Garrett Wells Walraven, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Rochester York Rundel, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Lewis Coleman Gifford, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Miller, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Rufus Micagah Cochran, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Charles Faulkner, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Frank Armand Fillot, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Oliver Hazzard Perry Tanquary, <i>Sec'y</i> ,	Lauritz Hansen, }
Jesse Wood, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Carnot Courtland Mason, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

John Bidwell,	Garrett Wells Walraven,	Albert Judson Gifford,
Rufus Micagah Cochran,	Augustus Harley Chapman,	John Rose Robinson,
William Henry Duren,	William Michael Thorpe,	Robert Emmet Warren,
Charles Lewis Pond,	Edward Hoole,	Carnot Courtland Mason.

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, Edwin Thomas	Graham, Eugene	Nicholl, John
Baker, Bob Bill	Graham, William Henry	Nichols, Edward Cuyler
Baker, John H. Clements	Gynn, Andrew Bayley	Noonan, Jerry Childs
Barnard, Timothy Henry	Gynn, Pleasant Medrien	Papst, Albert
Barnes, Michael	Hallet, Henry	Papst, Charles James
Barton, Francis Augustus	Hanscomb, Hy. Douglass	Pulliam, William Mitchell
Batchelder, Hiram Treat	Haughton, Jos. Richardson	Reavis, David Morton
Bell, Hugh Thomas	Heath, William Daniel	Sawyer, Alexander
Bennett, Isaac Rugg	Hibbard, Albert A.	Scofield, George Lewis
Bidwell, Abram B.	Holmes, Henry Preston	Shand, George
Boucher, Josiah	Hoose, Calvin	Shilling, John Stephen
Bowers, John William	Hoyle, James Marion	Smith, Levi
Bradley, William Leroy	Hubbs, Benjamin Albert	Smizer, Henry Thos. Allen
Carlisle, James Cates	Hutchins, Josiah William	Spencer, Bradley
Colby, Gilbert Winslow	Johnson, Charles	Springer, Watson King
Cole, James Hall	Jones, Benjamin Franklin	Stevens, Warren Charles
Conger, Williston Kingsb'y	Jones, Richard Dean	Turner, John Alphonso
Crew, Alexander Hill	Jones, Samuel	Van Woert, William
Daniels, Samuel L.	King, William Duncan	Warren, Cyrus Greenleaf
Davison, James	Lee, Wesley	Warren, Edward Archer
Decker, James Madison	Leininger, Obadiah	Weston, Jubal
Dicus, Samuel Calvin	Maltby, Christ'r Columbus	Wetherbee, Ira Alston
Dodson, Thomas Hulen	McGarry, James William	Williams, John Harvey
Durham, Wm. Wellington	McIntosh, James Newton	Woods, Charles Huntington
Eaton, George Washington	McIntosh, Louis Harrison	Worley, Silas Jefferson
Elliot, John Patrick	Mitchell, James Ewing	Young, Alexander
Garner, John Mortimer	Montgomery, J.W. Bradford	Young, James—104.
Goodrich, Wm. Parmeley	Nelson, Charles Andrew	

FELLOW CRAFT :

RESTORED :

Burkirk, James Cyrenas—1.

Cochran, Rufus Micagah

Davison, James—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Cheeney, William Fitch
Ketchum, John Addison

Stilson, Charles Louis

Steward, Joseph Ireland—4.

DIED:

Beecroft, John Thomas—1.

SUMMIT LODGE, No. 112.

Knight's Ferry, Stanislaus County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

John Warner, <i>Master</i> ,	Andrew Jackson Means, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Lawrence Phelps, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	William Francis Bach, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Godfrey Booth, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Jacob Haslacher, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Abraham Martin Valpey, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Stinson, }
William Edward Steuart, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Humble Lowe, }
Stephen Bishop, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Merrill Britt,	James Stinson,	John Warner.
William Edward Steuart,	Joseph Warner,	

MASTER MASONS:

Algeo, William Reynolds	Enslen, William	Mathews, James
Bartlett, Allen Tabor	Gardner, George	Pentland, Henry Brunton
Beck, John	Gooch, James Lewis	Randall, Benjamin
Bentley, Jefferson Daniel	Hamilton, Andrew	Richardson, Thomas
Bishop, Silas	Hocker, Joseph Lee	Scrivner, John James
Brooke, Cicero Blackwell	Johnson, Thomas	Swift, Andrew Jackson
Carey, Talcott Patching	Klein, Henry Christian	Tulloch, David Whitelaw
Clarke, Robert Carrick	Lane, Andrew Jackson	Turner, Henry Fletcher
Crabtree, Eben Foster	Lane, Charles David	Warner, James
Crabtree, Mark Trafton	Lawrence, George	Watson, John Alexander
Dorsey, Caleb	Lodtman, Ernest	Williams, James—46.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Carmichael, David Whitelaw	Dolling, Victor—2.
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WITHDRAWN:

Palmer, Henry—1.

EDEN LODGE, No. 113.

San Leandro, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Oliver Henry Christie, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles Albert Wright, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
George Henry Payne, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Lonzo Antonio Fereira, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Peter Deives, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Otis Hill, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Joseph Demont, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Martin, }
Charles Henry Haile, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Francisco Pimentell, }
Jabez Lindsley Kirkman, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

William Wighton Reid,	Charles Henry Haile,	Ira Ham Bradshaw.
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MASTER MASONS:

Anway, Loren Bugby	Cardoza, Manuel Jose	DuBois, Amos Sumner
Armstrong, Thomas Chas.	Castro, Luis	Green, Morris
Boyce, Samuel Edward	Cook, Theodore Webster	Hazelhurst, William
Bronson, James Cathcart	Cooley, Bernard Ralph	Hollis, James Lyman

Hopper, John Fred. Ernest	Mullen, Michael Francis	Shirley, Henry Jacob
Jamison, John William	Palmer, Charles Edgar	Smyth, Henry
Lienhoop, Frederick	Putnam, John Henry	Teubert, Louis
Lemon, William Thompson	Saul, Samuel Stephen	Yates, William Andrew
Marlin, Joseph Brady	Shiman, John Lewis	Yule, John—41.
Moore, Albert Alfonso		

WITHDRAWN:

Brooks, Frank Howard—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Coleman, Charles Spofford Price, Jacob Smith, James Dale—3.

DIED:

Babcock, Francis Fleming, Stephen Kerr Marlin, John—3.

MOUNT ZION LODGE, No. 114.

Grizzly Flat, El Dorado County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

James Fraser Casey, <i>Master</i> ,	John Marion McClean, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Davis Hanna, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Cole, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Jacob Bolton Fisher, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Ozro Dunham Pray, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Amon Melton, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	David Crooks, }
———, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thomas Teesdale, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Master:

Davis Hanna.

MASTER MASONS:

Becherer, Francis	Hedge, Patrick	Wheeler, Moses Chandler—14.
Bemis, Eugene	Werntz, Gabriel	

RESTORED:

Corker, Davis—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Corker, Davis—1.

DIED:

Knox, William—1.

CONCORD LODGE, No. 117.

Sacramento, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Samuel Howard Gerrish, <i>Master</i> ,	William Henry Oughton, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Longton, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Adrien Gonnet, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Rowland Jones, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Benjamin Franklin Alexander, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Eugene Giraud, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Gasper Leeman, }
William Henry Hevener, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William John Irvine, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Nathaniel Atherton Kidder, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Samuel Drown Smith,
William Henry Hevener,
Jacob Hoehn,

John Whitelaw,
Samuel McDonald,

William McLaughlin,
Samuel Howard Gerrish.

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, Jerome Johnson
Burnett, Henry Ashbell
Caswell, William Averill
De Valin, William Henry
Dickey, Thomas
Dolan, Patrick Francis
Dusenberry, Malon
Elliott, Archibald Sharp
Fairchild, Charles Herbert
Fritsch, John
Gruhler, John
Hasselgren, William Henry
Hayton, George Moses
Herzog, Philip

Holzinger, George
Jacobs, Enoch
Johnson, Andrew
Jones, William
Joseph, Aaron Joseph
Keymer, James
Lang, Joseph
LeLoy, Louis
Lichthardt, Geo. Hy. Wm.
Menke, Anton
Meyer, Paul
Oschwald, John
Peters, Robert James
Robbins, Joseph Martin

Sanderlin, Frederick
Schaeffer, Peter
Shannon, William Burton
Smith, Alexander Miller
Smith, Eli M.
Sullivan, William George
Talbot, John
Thayer, Nehemiah Denton
Trobe, Peter
Troia, Salvatore
Vicary, George Salser
Vincent, Frank Orsen
Winn, James Henry
Young, William—58.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Deuseau, John—1.

RESTORED:

Drummond, John Dusenberry, Malon—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Drummond, John—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Foss, Calvin Ichabod
LaShell, Alfred Franklin

McKune, John Hill
Sweetland, Benj. Richard

Thain, Hamilton Wells
Tomasette, Giov'ni Battista
—6.

CLINTON LODGE, No. 119.**Igo, Shasta County.**

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Charles Nelson Kingsbury, *Master*,
Elijah Mason Dixon, *Senior Warden*,
Thomas Burton Smith, *Junior Warden*,
George Kittridge Willard, *Treasurer*,
Henry Rothwell, *Secretary*,

William Goodall, *Senior Deacon*,
Alonzo Hawley Rector, *Junior Deacon*,
Carl George Voss, *Marshal*,
Thaddeus Alonzo Jones, } *Stewards*,
Olonzo Engle, }

William Forschler, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Elijah Mason Dixon,
Henry Christian Jacobson,

Charles Nelson Kingsbury.

Thomas Burton Smith.

MASTER MASONS:

Alexander, Samuel Pannill
Beeves, Nicholas Alex.
Berg, Robert
Boyd, Charles

Cunningham, Rasmus Manf'd
Dammon, Stephen Davis
Leiter, Alexander

Raymond, George Willis
Sleeper, Geo. Washington
Weil, David—22.

WITHDRAWN:

Weil, Joseph—1.

FIDELITY LODGE, No. 120.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Isaac Strassburger, <i>Master</i> ,	David Eisner, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Jacob Luchsinger, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Henry Cope, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Lincoln Pierce, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Samuel Hyman Cohen, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Lewis Emanuel, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Christan Nielsen, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Jacob Thalhimer, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Lehman Haas, }
Mitchell Joseph Myers, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Louis Cohn,	Moses Heller,	Henry Williams,
Henry Falkenstein,	William Henry Culver,	George Barstow,
Mendel Esberg,	Emanuel Emanuel,	George Evans Clingman.
Julius Platcheck,		

MASTER MASONS :

Ackerman, Sam'l Seligman	Frank, Asher	Land, Howard Bradley
Agard, George Edward	Frankenberg, Joseph	Latz, Benjamin
Allenberg, Charles	Friendlander, Morris	Lederer, George Michael
Altmayer, Aaron	Getz, Bernhard	Lees, Isijah Wrigley
Antisell, Wm. Christopher	Getz, Joseph	Levy, Bernhard Louis
Banner, Pincus	Getz, Louis	Levy, Edward Julius
Bauer, Moses	Goldman, Isaac Wolf	Levy, Julius
Bear, Solomon	Goldstone, Charles	Levy, Louis Abraham
Becker, Michael Rud. E.	Goodkind, Henry	Levy, Max
Block, Abram	Goodwin, Jas. Porter, Jr.	Levy, Morris Bernhard
Blum, Isidore	Green, Harris	Levy, Nahdon
Blum, Moses, Jr.	Greenberg, Henry	Lewis, William
Brandenstein, Mayer	Greenberg, Samuel Henry	Lindner, Mark
Brown, Morris	Gruenberg, Max	Lissack, Adolph Henry, Jr.
Brown, Nathan	Gutte, Isidor	Livingston, Mark
Bryan, William	Hagan, Benjamin	Louis, Adolph
Cahn, Leopold	Hagen, Henry Edward von	Maloney, Daniel
Caro, Samuel	Hamilton, James Monroe	Mandelbaum, Francis
Caro, Wolf	Hamilton, Robert	Marks, Henry
Cecil, John	Hardie, Diedrich	Mayer, Nathan
Clayburgh, Moses	Harris, Adolph	Mayer, Salomon Julius
Cohn, Bernhard	Harris, George Joseph	McIsaacs, Donald Cushing
Colman, Morris	Henry, Abraham Henry	Mendelson, Solomon
Cook, Isaac	Hermida, Augustus	Michals, Aaron William
Dane, James Henry	Hildebrandt, William Chas.	Miller, Edward Laurence
Einstein, Jacob	Hufschmidt, Louis	Naphtaly, Joseph
Elfelt, Joseph	Hyams, Louis	Neustadt, Emile David
Englander, Max	Iglauer, Joe	Newman, Isaac
Eppinger, Jacob	Jacobs, Abraham	Newman, Joseph
Falk, Solomon	Jacobsen, Jacob Erich	Newman, Simon
Felvey, Lawrence	Joseph, Michel James	Peyser, Simon Abraham
Finnegass, Henry	Kaufman, Charles	Platcheck, Samuel
Fisher, Henry	King, James Lucius	Poly, Louis
Forsberg, Frederick	Kohn, Charles	Raphael, Isidor

Reese, Michael	Schweitzer, Morris	Sweet, Francis Marion
Reinstein, Simon	Schweitzer, Samuel	Tommereg, Anders Emil
Robins, George	Sichel, Eugene	Thrane, Peter Ch. Ludwig
Robinson, Julius	Sichel, Salomon	Troppman, John
Robitcheck, Herman	Silverberg, Simon	Viadero, Damaso
Rose, Henry	Simon, Henry	Walter, Herman Nathan
Rosenbaum, Joseph	Simon, Israel Simon	Walter, Theophilus Vivian
Rosenbaum, Moses	Smiley, Geo. Washington	Wedel, John Michael
Rosenfield, Anthony	Smith, Benj. Pitt Griffin	Wehle, Isaac
Rosenshine, Leopold	Son, Albert Anchel	Wigmore, James
Rosenshine, Mathias	Staylaars, Charles Louis	Wilzinsky, Marks
Roth, Adolph Benjamin	Stein, Charles	Wormser, Louis
Scheier, Gabriel	Steller, Pepi	Worthy, James
Schmidt, Joseph	Steppacher, Maier	Zacharias, Hyman
Schmitt, Maurice	Strauss, Louis	Zimmerman, Henry—170.
Schoenfield, Jacob	Streeten, James Morgan	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Frank, George Washington—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Goodman, Isadore Weil, Ignatz—2.

RESTORED:

Maloney, Daniel—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Baum, Simon	Isaacs, Morris Judah	Raas, Emanuel
Blum, Jacques	Lewy, Julius	Reiss, Bernard—8.
Godchaux, Joseph	Newburger, Gustave	

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bulmore, Robert Richard	Newman, Henry	Prichard, James Augustus—4.
Marks, Saul		

DIED:

Pestner, Ernst Weyl, Jerome—2.

IONIC LODGE, No. 121.

Iowa Hill, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

John Gould Bisbee, <i>Master</i> ,	William Green Wolfe, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Jasper Rich, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Daniel Jackson Vaughn, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Willis Fish Gould, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Edward George Spencer, <i>Marshal</i> ,
James Weaks Chinn, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Garret Booth,
William Whipple Poole, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Jonathan Mitchell Smith, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Augustus Lord Leighton, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

William Clinton Rich,	Darius Ingersoll,	Adams Barrett,
William Whipple Poole,	James Jasper Rich,	John Gould Bisbee.

MASTER MASONS:

Butler, John	Makins, William Swift	Ross, James
Carder, James Byron	Mill, William	Schmitt, John
Eddings, George Franklin	Mitchell, Edward	Stemple, Henry
Hackett, Chester	Mitchell, John Henry	Tolman, Rufus Jenkins
Hammill, Henry	Myrick, John Wesley	Van Divier, John Floyd
Jacobs, James Munroe	Petterson, Oliver Howard	Werley, François Antoine
Jones, George	Rice, Charles	Wood, Joseph Lewis—36.
Just, John Peter		

WITHDRAWN:

Patton, William Henry—1.

ALAMO LODGE, No. 122.

Walnut Creek, Contra Costa County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Myron Ward Hall, <i>Master</i> ,	Farmer Sanford, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Marion Daley, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Arthur Williams, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Albert Sherburne, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Geo. Washington Yoakum, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Josiah Simpson Huntington, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John McCullough,
James Monroe Stow, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William King Daley, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Western Ebenezer Riddle,	John Burwell Sydnor,	Myron Ward Hall.
John Jacob Slitz,		

MASTER MASONS:

Alexander, Geo. Edmund	Grabner, Nicholas	Shreve, Benjamin
Burpee, Winfield Scott	Hoag, Jacob Vanduzen	Simeas, John
Cahen, David	Lynch, William	Wells, William Howard
Caldwell, David Alexander	McCullough, Daniel	Wiley, John
Chadwick, Charles	McPheeters, Geo. Wash'n	Wilson, John McConnell
Compton, William	Miller, Charles Edward	Zabel, Julius—33.
Detlor, John	Rice, Coffee Adams	

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Leighton, Franklin Wallace—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Jones, Nathaniel—1.

SOTOYOME LODGE, No. 123.

Healdsburg, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

James Shadrach Bell, <i>Master</i> ,	James Bloom, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Alexander Hill Stites, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Francis Zach. Cunningham, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
Martin Van Buren Hooten, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Robert West, <i>Marshal</i> ,
George Miller, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Matthias Raabe, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Nestor Alcinous Young, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Young,
	John Call, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

John Sharp Shafer,	John Nicholas Bailhache,	Albert Wright,
Peter Griest,	Robert West,	James Shadrach Bell.

MASTER MASONS:

Angwin, William	Hertel, Rudolph	Petray, Ransom Alexander
Best, Josiah George Green	Hudson, Thomas Wade	Phillips, Duval Drake
Blazer, John Smith	Ingham, Andrew Hemphill	Powell, Ransom
Bloom, David	Johnson, Henry	Powell, William John
Bloom, Joseph	Jordan, Leslie Alexander	Price, John
Board, William	Lambert, Henry Franklin	Rupe, Samuel Horn
Costly, William Stairs	Laymance, Isaac Carlin	Sargent, Henry
Cummings, Eli Rankins	Livereau, Joseph	Schmidt, Peter
Curtis, Charles Henry	Long, Isaac	Seeley, David Taylor
Fenco, James Edson	Lovell, James Michael	St. Clair, Frank Chaple
Fike, Nathan	Mathews, Charles Wesley	Terry, James William
Fitch, Samuel David	McManus, John Gaw	Thing, Arthur
Gibson, William Silas	Mead, Louis Correl	Thompson, John Davidson
Gilman, Lewell Jesse	Mead, Stephen Purdy	Truett, John Richmond
Goldstein, Henry	Miser, Henry S.	Vaughn, Jesse Hutchins
Grant, John Doty	Nichols, James Francis	Wall, Henry Chesly
Grover, Thomas Jefferson	Oliver, Truman Stephen	Warren, William Porter
Hall, Lilwallen Jones	Patrick, Jefferson Fletcher	Young, Michael—71.
Hausch, Christian	Patrick, Joseph Milton	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Burruss, John Wesley—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Thompson, Marcus Lafayette—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Abbey, Richard	Canan, William Smyth	Killian, James Lawrence
Brown, Josiah	Hutton, Charles Edward	Renick, Benton Alexander—6.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Hasbrouck, Hermon M.	Paul, John R.	Sweeney, Goolsby—5.
Jenner, Elijah Kirkham	Robinson, Chester Gates	

TABLE MOUNTAIN LODGE, No. 124.**Cherokee, Butte County.***Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Alfred Thompson, <i>Master,</i>	Andrew Ryan, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
John Branscom, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	George Medanich, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
William James, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Michael Henry Wells, <i>Marshal,</i>
Jenkin Morgan, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Charles Gardener Hartson, } <i>Stewards,</i>
William Harris Williams, <i>Secretary,</i>	George Lawrence, }
Frederick Schupbach, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters:

George Henry Crosette,	Peter Freer,	Louis Glass,
Charles Fayette Lott,	Michael Henry Wells,	Louis Goodday.
Thomas Callow,	Alfred Thompson,	

MASTER MASONS:

Abbey, Richard	Jones, Henry	Taber, Floyd
Bean, Jackson	Jones, William Peter	Tippy, Leroy Chapin
Belew, Thomas	Kitchen, Isaac Warren	Tyre, David
Blackburn, William Ross	Knecht, George	Vera, Joseph Numa
Byler, Eldridge Mallard	Lewis, James	Waldeger, Charles
Burt, Aaron	McBeth, John	Washburn, William Archer
Cushman, Obed	Meredith, John Robert	Wellington, Frederick
Davis, Edward Jenning	Nisson, Asmus	Wheeler, Edson Gardner
Downing, Samuel Little	North, Rufus	White, Henry Caldwell
France, George Willett	Patterson, Jacob	Whitlaw, John Frederick
Heintz, Thibault	Pence, Manohah	Williams, John David
Hengy, William Sinclair	Rees, William	Wilson, David Donald
Hida, Jehu	Ritchie, John Henry	Wisert, Robert Jackson—57.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Smith, David Franklin—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Powell, David—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Tobin, Terrence—1.

LA FAYETTE LODGE, No. 126.

Sebastopol, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Benjamin Franklin Branscom, <i>Master</i> ,	Albert Stephen Down, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Jesse Hunt, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Jerry Achey, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Ross Elliot, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Michael Ruch, <i>Marshal</i> ,
James Gannon, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	David Seeley,
George Newell Sanborn, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Peter John Carlson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Joseph Henry Perrine Morris, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

James Gannon,	Michael Ruch,	Benjamin Franklin Branscom.
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MASTER MASONS:

Allen, Benjamin Byrd	Hunt, Benjamin Wesley	Ross, Losson
Allen, Otis	Keim, Levi Folmer	Royal, John Edward
Anderson, Andrew	Lesieur, Alfred Godfrey	Scott, Thomas Turner
Ballou, Daniel Woodworth	Martin, James	Sinclair, Wade Hampton
Carson, David	Maxwell, Walter	Smith, Joseph
Chenoweth, Jas. Merritt	McCullough, Eben'r Alex.	Smith, William Henry
Coats, George Washington	McPeak, Anthony	Sullivan, John Wesley
Dempsey, Andrew	McPeak, Eugene	Walker, John
Pickas, Adam	Mitty, Nicholas	Westcott, Oliver
Fruits, George Alexander	Oliver, John Reeves Has'l	Wilton, Thomas Gerritt
Gilliam, David Taylor	Orender, Joel	Winkler, Clayton
Gregson, James	Ragle, George Jackson	Witherell, Rufus Henry
Hudspeth, James Madison	Ray, Barzillai	Wright, Joseph—50.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Harford, Robert Latimer

Watkins, Henry

Williams, Reuben—3.

WITHDRAWN:

Ballard, Smithfield
Ingram, Silas Derias

Orr, John
Rogers, Samuel Luther

Shafer, George Washington
Sheridan, James—6.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

McGuire, William Pleasant—1.

DIED:

Cameron, John Miller—1.

HERMANN LODGE, No. 127.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Christian Heinrich Voigt, *Master*,
Julius George, *Senior Warden*,
Peter George Bauch, *Junior Warden*,
Jonas Jonassen, *Treasurer*,
Ludwig Schumacher, *Secretary*,
George Walter, *Senior Deacon*,

Adolph Koneke, *Junior Deacon*,
Julius Ferdinand Blumberg, *Marshal*,
Hermann Brand, } *Stewards*,
William Holling, }
Charles Emil Rohte, *Organist*,
John Friedrichs, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Franz Staud,
John George Andresen,
Adolph Theo. Ehrenberg,

Charles Emil Hansen,
Martin S. Meyer,
Henry Kenitzer,

Ralph de Clairmont,
Christian Heinrich Voigt.

MASTER MASONS:

Andresen, Christian
Baehr, William
Barkhaus, Fred'h William
Becker, Otto Friedrich
Becker, Otto Fried'h Chris'n
Cassebohm, William
Claussen, Claus Heinrich
Claussenius, George
Cohn, Lazarus
Cramer, August
Dannheimer, Louis
Dawison, William
Denicke, Ernst August
Ebbinghausen, Henry
Eggers, George Heinrich
Eggers, Johannes Fred. Geo.
Enricht, Louis
Evers, John Henry
Flügger, Johannes Carl
Fredericks, Joseph
Glein, Carlos Franz
Golly, Jean Baptiste
Grimm, Friedrich Wilhelm
Grünewald, George
Haacke, Carl

Habenicht, Fritz
Hach, Carl
Hahn, Jacob
Harms, George
Hartmann, Adolph Emil
Haubrich, Fried'h Wilhelm
Haxe, George John
Heinimann, Michael
Helliesen, Chas. Fred. Aug.
Helmken, John Theodor
Hemme, Louis
Hofen, Leo
Holtz, Wilhelm
Joel, Albert Moritz
Jordan, Rudolf
Klatt, Ferdinand
Kloppenberger, Otto
Knop, Henry
Korbel, Franz
Krieg, Anton
Kühl, Hans George
Lackmann, Hermann
Lange, Fred. Wm. Matthias
Laveaga, Jose Maria de
Lohse, Nicholas

Lütgens, John
Maurer, Leo
Mausshardt, Conrad
Meinert, Hermann
Menges, Adam
Mentel, William
Mentz, Frederick
Meyer, John George Herm.
Mocker, William
Müller, Adolph
Nagel, William
Plagemann, Henry
Purfurst, August Bernhard
Renz, John
Richter, William Henry
Roemer, Caspar
Rosenbaum, Fried. Heinrich
Rossbach, Hermann
Sadler, Hermann Julius
Schmidt, Friedrich Heinrich
Schoenan, Henry
Schoenewald, George
Schroeder, Hermann
Schulte, John Gerhard Wm.
Schuman, Carl

Schüssler, Hermann D. A.	Tiedemann, Martin	Vorrath, Heinrich
Spreckels, Peter	Turk, Christoph	Wolters, August
Stroecker, Herm. Hy. Wm.	Volkman, Carl Moritz	Wolters, Heinrich
Struwing, Johann Herman	Von Bergen, August H. W.	Zwicky, Gabriel
Sutter, Emil Victor	Vorrath, Andrew Henry	Zwiegl, Hermann—110.
Thee, Hermann A. M.		

RESTORED:

Mandel, Emanuel—1.

WITHDRAWN:Kohler, Charles
Levy, Julius

Mandel, Emanuel

Pohl, Heinrich—4.

DIED:

Schulte, Frederick William—1.

VISALIA LODGE, No. 128.**Visalia, Tulare County.***Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Robert Chidley Broder, <i>Master</i> ,	Jacob Lambert Asay, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Richard Hubbard Stevens, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Francis Algine Blakeley, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Julius Jacob Mack, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Edward Pollitz,
John William Crowley, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Robert Curran Lightbody, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Clark Kirk Decker, <i>Secretary</i> ,	———, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

John Benjamin Hockett,	William Alexander Russell,	John Tuohy,
Andrew Henderson Broder,	Abram Hunter Murray,	Abiel Elkins,
Elias Jacob,	Robert Chidley Broder,	John Cornelius Goad.

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, George	Cullom, William Bell	Hatfield, William Richie
Ayers, John	Dakin, William	Hawkins, Rufus Morgan
Bacigalupi, Theodore	Dalhem, David	Hedges, John Harrison
Bacon, Fielding	Denny, James Edward	Henry, Albert Reece
Baker, Martin	Eaton, Matthew	Herring, George
Beyer, Anthony	Ellis, William Josiah	Houston, James
Bolger, Peter	Esrey, Justin	Hunsaker, Allen
Branks, Robert	Frankenau, Max	Hunsaker, Henry
Braverman, Max	Fudge, Iverville Leander	Johnson, Oscar Stephanus
Brown, Andrew	Gilroy, Launcelot	Kelley, Thos. Almareno
Byrd, Pleasant	Glasscock, Alpha Hayden	Levis, Leon
Calhoun, Milo Adams	Graham, William George	Lindsey, Joshua
Chatten, Richard	Grimsley, John Hansford	Lindsey, Tipton
Carter, Dale Miller	Grussenmyer, J. F. Marion	Mack, Solomon Laurence
Cole, James Jerome	Guggenheim, Leon	Miles, Burke
Collins, Samuel Henry	Hackett, Henry	Miner, James Lowry
Coughran, Thomas Benton	Halstead, Timothy	Neill, Arthur Cornett
Creighton, Samuel Gray	Harland, William	Parker, Basil Gaither
Crowley, Green Berry	Harter, Isaac Monroe	Parker, Jeremiah

Patterson, Elisha Hamblin	Seligman, Louis	Van Valer, Edwin Little
Patton, Myron Houston	Smith, George Weelworth	Ward, Joseph Clarence
Pogue, James Wm. Center	Stoneman, Finis Ewing	Weishar, Augustus
Reynolds, Jesse Wilson	Thoms, Samuel Winfield	Wells, Morgan James
Rockwell, Henry Sheldon	Thomas, Water Franklin	Wentworth, Thos. Benning
Sanders, Wm. Augustus	Tullock, John William	Wingfield, Chas. Rosseau

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ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Duckwall, Simon Weaver	Parker, George Alvia	Wright, Claiborn—3.
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RESTORED :

Mann, William D.	Stine, Peter Alfred—2.
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WITHDRAWN :

Clark, John	McJunkin, Joseph Talbot	Roberts, Michael
Dixon, Harry St. John (E.A.)	Merrill, Mumford Stokes	Spencer, Theodore
Henderson, Thos. Edward	Merrill, Richmond Peirson	Stine, Peter Alfred
Hertz, Henry	Owen, William Ransell	Wells, John Thomas—13.
Mann, William D.		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Grace, John William	Jones, John Perham	Spier, Joseph
Jackson, Andrew	Kirkland, Berry Spencer	Stone, Frederick—8.
Johnson, James Madison	Nelson, Edward Peter	

NICOLAUS LODGE, No. 129.

Wheatland, Yuba County.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Martin Van Buren Sparks, <i>Master</i> ,	Joseph Easton Hollingshead, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Simon Wolf, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Joel Holman, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
David Farris Roddan, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Miscal C. Jasper, { <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Haskell Keyes, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Frank Kirshner, }
John Frederick Baun, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Cyrus Stoddard, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

James Haskell Keyes,	Crawford Holland,	William Wesley Holland.
Campbell Posen Berry,	Joseph Easton Hollingshead,	

MASTER MASONS :

Barker, Emmet	Durst, Daniel Peters	Odam, Alexander
Beatty, William Henry	Filcher, Thomas Joseph	Pascoe, James Henry
Berry, Rufus Cowan	Haile, Henry	Roddan, Hugh
Betz, Harvey Lee	Howlett, John Marion	Samuel, Moses
Bevan, Thomas Edward	Huffaker, Isaac Watts	Savage, Silas Lee
Brewer, Thomas	Hunt, Francis	Small, George
Brown, Garrick Mallory	Hutchinson, Perkins Laf'tte	Steineman, John
Campbell, William Lamb	Lohse, Herman	Webster, Adoniram Judson
Carnduff, Frank Ford	McCollow, Cyrus Ab'crom'e	Whiting, Herbert Bryce
Click, Daniel	McCurry, Samuel Sevier	Williamson, Virgil
Click, Phillip	McFee, William James	Wilson, William Clinton
Dean, Alfred Larkin	Oakley, Amasa Wilder	Wood, Samuel David—49.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Brandt, John Charles

Hicks, James Madison—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Corwin, William Spencer

Hill, George Washington, (E. A.)—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Cooper, John Gowan

Crabtree, Benjamin

Lee, Miron Lafayette—3.

DIED:

Bendel, Bernard, (E. A.)—1.

WOODBIDGE LODGE, No. 131.

Woodbridge, San Joaquin County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Thomas Robeson Burkett, *Master*,Robert Blackley Woods, *Senior Deacon*,Frederick Franklin Phelps, *Sen. Warden*,George Favinger, *Junior Deacon*,William Corell, *Junior Warden*,James Doctor Huffman, *Marshal*,Edward Galaspa Rutledge, *Treasurer*,James Henry Thompson, } *Stewards*,Edward Young, *Secretary*,

Luman Oscar Gillespie, }

David Parks McNeill, *Tyler*.

Past Masters :

Thomas Henderson,

Erastus Nelson Foote,

Charles Babcock,

John Chatten Thompson,

John Newton Woods,

Charles Cyrus Paulk,

James Pinkham Folger,

Benj. Franklin Langford,

Thomas Robeson Burkett.

MASTER MASONS:

Beckman, Henry

Henderson, James Mitchell

Misener, Norman Sumner

Beckwith, Byron Dela

Hickey, John Hurd

Palin, Samuel Whittingham

Blackley, James

Holmes, Willard Olive

Parker, Alfred Hoard

Brumel, Moses

House, Messer Ward

Peters, Meriman

Cain, Aquila

Housken, George

Pletts, Thomas

Campbell, Wash. Lafayette

Huff, Walter Perry

Presbury, William

Carter, William

Huffman, Geo. Washington

Rose, Anderson

Craig, Howard Miller

Hutson, James Lawrence

Rutledge, Joseph Harrison

Cuthbert, Alexander

Keagle, John Levigood

Sawyer, James Canny

Dougherty, Lemuel Josiah

Kettelman, David

Short, James Madison

Doyle, Heman

Kirkland, William

Smith, Charles Edward

Faulkner, James Letcher

Kreeger, Solomon

Smith, Charles Samuel

Fugitt, Chism Cooper

Little, John Booth

Turner, Frank

Green, Lewis Delivern

McIntosh, Edwin Jonathan

Winters, William McKindre

Hammond, Roland George

Miles, Ralph Augustus

Young, William Henry—66.

Hart, William

Millis, William Lindsey

RESTORED:

Pletts, Thomas—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Johnson, Franklin Lafayette

Rucker, William Atkinson

Wall, George Lester—4.

Rhudy, Augustus Peter

SINCERITY LODGE, No. 132.

Taylorsville, Plumas County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

George Washington Boyden, <i>Master</i> ,	William Smithers Church, <i>Secretary</i> ,
Cyrus Laufman, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Hugh McCutcheon, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Blough, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Peterson Burge, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Frank Kruger, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Erastus Powell Smith, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Master :

Robert Martin.

MASTER MASONS:

Chappel, John	Goodfellow, Wm. Dixon	Miller, William Henry
Epley, Jacob Marcuse	Greene, Edward Everett	Morton, William Burnett
Firmstone, Henry Thomas	Gregg, Harrison	Spellier, George
Flynn, William	Martin, John Powell	Steele, Albert
Fritz, Martin	Mehon, Morris	Wilcox, William Putnam
Fraehlich, Daniel		—25.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Houghton, George Edwin	McIntyre, Angus	Stampfle, Theodore—
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WITHDRAWN :

Duprey, Davius Mead	McGill, Robert	Standard, George
Grant, Alexander	Proctor, George	Whitlock, James Henry
Hathaway, Hiram Jackson	Rowe, John	Young, Robert William—10.
Louder, Henry		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Banta, Stephen Cromwell	Shepherd, Benjamin W.	Terrill, Orrin
Bransford, Milford Bard	Talbot, Thomas Jefferson	Wilman, Herman Hy. Julius
Cornelius, Joseph		—7.

DIED :

Shinn, William	Taylor, Job Terrill	Young, William G.—3.
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YOSEMITE LODGE, No. 133.

Coulterville, Mariposa County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Benjamin Franklin Morris, <i>Master</i> ,	Carlton Davidson, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Endean, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Oliver Fisk, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Andrew Peterson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Charles Wagner, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Shimer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Frank Herbek, }
Rowland Coffin Chase, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Bernard Murry, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Carlton Davidson,	John Bernhart Pettit,	Mark Parker,
Joseph Leeson,	Daniel Wagner,	Eugene Muller.
Simon Hilar Stevens,		

MASTER MASONS :

Ackerson, James Franklin	Myers, Henry	Smith, Edward Holton
Gordon, Adam Dodds,	Seller, John Baptist	Wood, Charles—23.
Hughes, John		

VACAVILLE LODGE, No. 134.

Vacaville, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

George Frederick Wooderson, <i>Master</i> ,	Henry Morton, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Edward William Day, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Joshua Donaldson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Neff Wells, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Henry Eversole, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Moses Blum, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Isaac Francis Davis, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Robert Carson Marshall, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles Henry Losee, }
Andrew Jackson Compton, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Arthur Moore, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Arthur Moore,	Henry Eversole,	Joseph Abraham Collier.
Edward Robinson Thurbur,	Lewis Naphtaly Davidson,	

MASTER MASONS:

Bayley, Joshua Henry	Jagger, William	Robinson, John Barber
Buck, Leonard William	Johnson, Washington	Robison, John
Chandler, Fred'k Brewster	Kidd, Wm. Bigley Richards	Rogers, James Roe
Cooper, John	Laurence, Samuel B.	Schnee, Crispus Martin
Dellinger, Ambrose Craig	Levy, Wolf	Steverson, George Bush
Erhart, Joseph	Merchant, John Baptist	Theodore, Adolph
Eversole, James	Miller, Meredith Raines	Thompson, Richard
Falconer, Samuel	Plaisted, George Pomroy	Williams, Thomas Stewart
Farmer, William Cobern	Reynolds, Jas. Wm. Brison	Wilson, Thomas Stanly
Hurley, George	Robinson, Jona. McNeill	Young, John—45.

FELLOW CRAFTS :

Gates, James Walker	Herold, Benedett Tolever—2.
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WITHDRAWN:

Burgess, Louis de Villo	Taylor, Ira	Willis, Oscar John—3.
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DIED:

Bradford, John Thomas—1.

VALLEY LODGE, No. 135.

Linden, San Joaquin County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

William Baker Stamper, <i>Master</i> ,	Vernon Perry Pritchard, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Wasley, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Audly McAusland, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Warner Martin, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Philip Fitzgerald, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Frederick Shelton, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Norval Harrison, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Bivens Wootten, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Sherbern Haines, }
Samuel Alexander Williams, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Thomas Trebil Wasley,	Nathaniel Siggon Harrold,	William Baker Stamper,
John Wasley,	Stephen Barnard,	James Russell Fennell.
John Calhoun Reid,		

MASTER MASONS:

Bonham, Hiram Jeffries	Harrison, Joseph Franklin	Rhodes, Wm. Hy. Harrison
Brooke, Thomas Jefferson	Hattler, Philip Andrew	Russell, William Henry
Canovan, Edward	Hedgpeth, Joel	Smith, Charles Brandon
Dudley, Wilbur Presley	Hendricks, Nathaniel Ward	Smith, John Washington
Durham, John	Hillman, Grafton	Turner, Abraham
Eldred, Havilah Pembroke	Martin, David Patton	Turner, William Thomas
Fox, Abraham D.	Owens, James Rutherford	Wheeler, Thomas—40.
Fulkerth, Thomas Benton	Pearson, Seth Allen	

WITHDRAWN:

Mayne, William Thomas	Prather, Benj. Franklin	Wright, Geo. Washington—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Charles, Henry Ward—1.

DIED :

Hill, John Wesley—1.

PACIFIC LODGE, No. 136.**San Francisco, San Francisco County.***Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Charles Grey Ewing, <i>Master</i> ,	James Wright Anderson, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Fletcher Byxbee, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	George Washington Percy, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Peter Treanor, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Joseph William Kinsley, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Fitzmaurice Kennedy, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Richard Steel Corning,
George Penlington, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Robert Emmerson Chapman,
Thomas Guard, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Phillip Riegelhaupt, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

John Wade,	John Fitzmaurice Kennedy,	William Green Alban,
Thomas Anderson,	Edward Mickle Miles,	James Washington Reppy,
Jno. Henry Stoutenborough,	Solomon Kohlman,	John Chilton Burch,
Adolphus Hollub,	George Leviston,	Wm. Rob't Gilling Samuels,
David Markell,	David Arnold D'Ancona,	Desir Martin.
George Penlington,	Henry Classen,	

MASTER MASONS :

Astredo, Antonio	Berdan, George Nixon	Browell, Jeremiah
Atkinson, James	Berryman, Henri Burpee	Brunn, Jacob
Austin, Sampson	Bettman, Moses	Bryant, Charles Wesley
Baldwin, James Waterman	Bilay, Antonio Frederick	Burke, Michalmas
Bamberger, Sigmund Simon	Bingenheimer, Christopher	Canham, Frederick
Bandy, Aaron Norton	Blankenstein, Henry	Canham, William
Baum, Gustus	Blockman, Abraham	Carlson, Lars
Beck, William Arthur, Jr.	Blunt, John Patten	Carrick, William
Behlow, Charles John	Boyce, Thomas	Carson, James Gilmore
Behrendt, Herman	Bragg, Robert, Jr.	Center, John

Chevalier, Enoch Hammond	Gage, Amos Kendall	Lang, George
Clement, Henry Newell	Galland, Joseph Barnett	Langrehr, Henry Christian
Clement, Joseph	Garratt, James Hyland	Laver, Augustus
Cohen, Jacob	Gauld, James Green	Lee, Franklin Vanzandt
Cohen, Simon	Gedge, George	Liebes, Herman
Cohn, Louis Meyer	Gellatly, James Ratray	Liebes, William
Culp, James Peter	Geoghagan, Samuel	Lengfeld, Abraham Lewis
Conroy, Eugene Chester	George, David	Leverentz, Charles
Cook, James Andrew	Gerstenberg, Henry	Livingston, Frank
Cook, Seymour Samuel	Gimpel, Maurice Christian	Levinsky, Lewis
Cookson, Franklin	Gilchrist, John Grant	Levinsky, Mark
Cooper, William	Gordon, Samuel Abraham	Levy, John
Craig, Lee Darneal	Gorié, James	Levy, Samuel Wolf
Crandall, William Gideon	Gray, Henry Simpson	Locke, Samuel
Crooks, Richard	Gray, John Samuel	Loewenthal, Joseph
Culmerry, William Scott	Green, William	Louis, Benjamin Francis
Curran, John Watters	Greenebaum, Jacob	Lovell, Edward Carroll
Curry, John	Greenhood, Wm. Wolfgang	Lowell, Albert Carroll
Curry, Nathaniel	Gump, Solomon	Macdonald, Malcolm
Cutting, John Tyler	Haas, George	Mace, Frederick George
Daley, John Henry	Hager, George	Mackenzie, John Ross
Daniel, John	Hahn, Seligman	MacKinnon, Thomas Alex.
Daniel, William Lyon	Hallett, George Henry	Makins, James Nicholas
Dennis, Francis Haskins	Hallett, Oliver Gray	Manheim, Isaac
Dennison, Ami Prince	Hanscom, John Ostenelli	Mansbach, Emanuel
Deutsch, Jacob	Harrington, John Bernard	Marcus, Edward James
Dibble, William Stow	Harris, Daniel	Maroodas, Spiridien
Dickson, George Edward	Haubrick, Benjamin	Maxson, Frank
Dinkelspiel, Lazarus	Hayes, George Walfred	May, Frederick William
Doble, Abner	Hechheimer, Leopold	McColl, John
Dockendorf, George	Helbing, August	McElroy, Robert
Douglass, James	Henderson, Frank	McIntyre, James
Droge, Henry	Heins, Herman	McJunkin, Hugh King
Druhe, John Gerhard	Hickei, Henry	McKew, John
Drum, Edward Farrington	Humphrey, George	McLeod, Daniel
Dunn, John	Hunter, Henry	McLerie, Henry Johnston
Earle, Henry Halford	Isaac, Albert	Mehden, Henry
Edwards, David Henry	Jackson, William Carleton	Melbourn, Joseph
Elder, William James	Johnson, Christ'n Emanuel	Merrett, Stephen Ferris
Evans, Peter James	Jones, John Watkins	Messer, Joseph
Ferreria, Aquilino Lopez	Jones, Martin	Moore, Thomas
Finnegan, Mathew	Joost, Jacob	Morton, Thomas
Fischer, Emil Andrew	Kamps, Frederick William	Morris, William
Fischer, Frank Xavier	Keller, Charles Winslow	Mosgrove, Samuel
Fisher, George William	Kerr, Earle	Mowbray, Robert Henry
Flaherty, John	Kervan, Thomas Lawrence	Muir, Adam
Flavin, Martin Jackson	Kincaid, Isaac Philamson	Muller, Cassian
Foorman, Samuel	King, Henry Lewis	Muller, Constantine
Forrest, Wm. Drummond	Kohlman, Charles	Munk, Richard Emil Louis
Fox, Otto	Kowalsky, Simon	Murray, George Ireland
Frazier, Simon	Kuhn, George Matthaus	Myer, Charles
French, William Frederick	Kullman, Lewis	Myers, Henry
Freund, Philip	Lake, Benjamin	Nathan, Bernard
Fuller, Andrew Henry	Lake, Harvey	Newbaur, Herman Wolf

Newbaur, Joseph	Roberts, John Charles	Stratton, George Herbert
Newberry, Miles Gray	Rose, William Henry	Stuart, William
Newfield, Marcus	Ruge, Ramon Antonio	Sweet, Solomon
Newball, Horatio Chever	Samuels, David	Swift, Samuel
Newman, Abraham	Sanderson, James	Taables, Maximillian
Ogilvie, James Robertson	Schehr, John Daniel	Toelken, Herman
O'Neill, Robert	Schoenberg, Henry	Tullock, James
Orr, William Hanna	Seelig, Simon	Turpin, Frederick Light
Parker, John Henry	Self, George William	Von Rhein, Otto Frank
Patten, George Monroe	Selig, Marx	Voss, Henry
Penhallow, DeBlois Pearce	Sheidman, Bahr	Walls, John
Penlington, Thomas	Shelton, Henry Ashton	Wangenheim, Henry
Phillips, Nicholas	Simpson, Thomas Benjamin	Waterson, Geo. Thompson
Pierce, Nelson	Sinclair, Charles Henry	Weed, Alexander
Pippey, Robert Norman	Sinsheimer, Simon	Weighel, William
Price, James Keller	Smallman, Wm. Henry M.	Welch, James Madison, Jr.
Purdie, James Thomas	Smith, Edwin Lawrence	Wertheimer, Emanuel
Rabjohn, Thomas Henry	Smith, Henry Augustus	White, Robert
Reckman, John	Spencer, George William	Whiting, Henry Herpine
Reid, Thomas	Staeglich, Louis Frank	Wilson, Joseph Lewis
Renwick, Richard Yates	Stern, David	Winkle, Henry
Reynolds, Thomas Harris	Sternheim, Samuel	Wright, Edward Dudley
Richards, Charles West	Sterns, Leopold	Wulff, Francis Murtes
Ritter, Charles August	Stevenson, John James	Young, William Albert
Robbins, William Joseph	Stevenson, Thomas	Zielin, Winfield Scott—294.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Smith, Charles Scheiffin—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Hoornbeck, William Patterson

Mitchell, William Lewis—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Mills, Charles Jamieson

Mouser, Silas Mercer

Schanzlin, Geo. Herm. Lud.—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Berryman, Frederick Miles

Hughes, Henry

Simson, David

Honig, Michaelis

Parker, Charles Hubbard

Strahan, Simon—6.

DIED:

Wiederhold, Charles Augustus—1.

VIOLET LODGE, No. 138.

Spanish Flat, El Dorado County.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

James Moon, *Master,*John William Reese, *Senior Deacon,*William Cary Anderson, *Senior Warden,*John Alexander Markle, *Junior Deacon,*John McGraw, *Junior Warden,*Frederick Lagerson, *Marshal,*Reuben Demuth, *Treasurer,*Henry Grove Maltby, } *Stewards,*George Harman Roelke, *Secretary,*

William Louis Reed, }

David Martin, *Tyler.*

Past Masters:

John Dodd Skinner,

William Louis Reed,

James Moon.

MASTER MASONS:Bell, Francis Marion
Jillson, EmmetLawyer, John Jay
McMannis, Thomas

Macnevin, Henry Patrick—17.

CROCKETT LODGE, No. 139.**San Francisco, San Francisco County.***Stated Meetings, first Friday in each month.***OFFICERS:**Robert Henry Barclay, *Master,*Henry Samuel Summers, *Senior Deacon,*Samuel Simmons, *Senior Warden,*Osmer Brown Vincent, *Junior Deacon,*Charles Othello Dean, *Junior Warden,*Claus Flathmann, *Marshal,*Peter Christian Miller, *Treasurer,*August Koerber, } *Stewards,*Carsten Hildebrandt, *Secretary,*

Mark Heywood, }

James Churchward, (of *Golden Gate Lodge, No. 30,*) *Tyler.***Past Masters:**

Edward Egan,

James Lafayette Cogswell,

Henry Barnard.

Carsten Hildebrandt,

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, James

Hesler, John

Monro, John

Bardenhagen, Henry John

Hill, Benjamin Stone

Moore, Francis

Beathy, James

Hosking, John

Nelson, Peter

Brown, Thomas

Hubbard, Geo. Augustus

Nicolaysen, Frank

Bryant, Andrew Jackson

Hunt, John Edward

Nightingale, William Jones

Bush, John

Hurd, Jethro Hanson

Palmer, Richard

Carson, Charles

Johnson, James Carr

Parker, Harvey Drury

Chambers, Geo. William

Johnson, Peter

Phillips, John

Coram, John

Kelly, Robert Gabriel

Phister, Andrew

Cord, William John

Knoechel, Charles

Pugh, John Frederick

Cosgrove, John

Knop, Elfert

Rasmussen, Rasmus

Cox, Christopher Charles

Kuhlmann, Diederich

Richards, Orlando Spencer

Cox, Richard

Lambert, William Patrick

Richards, William Henry

Crofts, John James

Leydecker, Theo. William

Schammel, Henry

Grozler, William John

Maack, John Ernst Conrad

Schultz, Louis

Diedering, Leopold

MacBeth, Alexander

Segesser, John Ulrich

Dyer, William Candon

Mackrett, George Bowen

Simpson, James

Fazackerly, Joseph

Mahan, John Fenton

Simpson, William Kinnear

Ferguson, William S.

Mason, Smith Moore

Squarza, Vincent

Fortriede, H'y Chris. Nico's

McCann, Richard

Stamp, John

French, Louis

McConnachie, John

Stutz, Jacob

Gallagher, James Joseph

McCormick, Felix

Stewart, John

Grosgebauer, John

McCracken, Arthur

Tilden, Heber Nutter

Haesloop, Detmar

McCullough, Samuel

Tucker, Henry S.

Hansen, Henry Sorrensen

McQuesten, Charles

Woods, David C.—89.

Haycock, Judson

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Dyer, Rudolphus Cyrus Jones, Frederick Francis Waller, Leopold Philip Feist—3.

RESTORED:

Monro, John Simpson, William Kinnear—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Lathrop, Ebenezer—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Kercheval, Robert Nougues, Peter Thomas Sanchez, Joseph Cipriano—3.

CURTIS LODGE, No. 140.

Cloverdale, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Henry Kier, <i>Master</i> ,	Lars Hugo Wolford, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Jacob Gregg Heald, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Reuben Henry Sink, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Neil Auker, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Field, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Joseph Albany Carrie, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	David Cavin Brush,
Daniel Morgan Wambold, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Abraham Ward, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Francis Marion Lamb, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Thomas Johnson,	Charles Henry Cooley,	Daniel Morgan Wambold,
Henry Kier,	Jacob Gregg Heald,	James Abram Kleiser.

MASTER MASONS:

Appleton, Wellington	Hampson, Henry Abiel	Ring, Homer William
Bean, Charles Henry	Harrison, Richard	Scott, Sylvester
Brush, William Thomas	Larrison, Samuel	Shelford, Peter Landis
Cootes, William Francis	Layton, Frank Burton	Shores, Leander
Davis, Barton Jackson	Ledford, William Ralls	Smith, Elzaphan Ithamore
Downing, William Henry	Marble, Theod'e Roderick	Smith, Jehiel
Goetzelman, John	Mitchell, John Morill	Williams, Clayton Anderson
Gould, Thomas Jefferson	Phillips, Charles	Young, Henry Joseph—38.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Abshier, James Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Tredennick, Henry James—1.

DIED:

Livingston, William Spencer—1.

GRAFTON LODGE, No. 141.

Knight's Landing, Yolo County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Alexander Mills, <i>Master</i> ,	Peter Goettsch, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Andrew Kness, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Abner Leathers, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Isaac Jefferson Ely, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Augustus Cyrus Turner, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Robert Roberts, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Jefferson Adams, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Wells Snowball, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Henry McBride Kier,
Charles Oscar Copp, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Robert Roberts,
John Wells Snowball,

Edward Littleton Parramore,
Isaac Jefferson Ely,

Alexander Mills.

MASTER MASONS :

Barney, Carey

Bostwick, William Henry

Crane, Donald

DePencier, Silas Theodore

Dunham, Thomas Jefferson

Elliott, Jasper Newton

Franses, William

Fahrion, J. George

Grawell, Jacob

Gwinn, Francis Sherman

Hoffman, Geo. Washington

Lewis, George Bedford

Martin, Julius

Meater, Gerhard Adolph

Roseberry, Barney Hughes

Schneegass, Henry

Vaughan, Corn. Lewis Nevil

Veeder, Peter Vroman

Young, William Bradley

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ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Lane, Levi Connover—1.

RESTORED :

Gwinn, Francis Sherman—1.

DIED :

Sias, Archilaus—1.

COLUSA LODGE, No. 142.

Colusa, Colusa County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Jeremy Rockwell Totman, *Master,*

Claus Kopf, *Senior Warden,*

William Nichols Herd, *Junior Warden,*

James Wilkins Goad, *Treasurer,*

Otho Sprigg Mason, *Secretary,*

Thos. Hart Bentou Anderson, *Chaplain,*

Richard Jones, *Senior Deacon,*

Peter Peterson, *Junior Deacon,*

Parsons Lummis Washburn, *Marshal,*

Hugh A. Logan,

Charles Henry Adair, } *Stewards,*

Thomas Irwin Talbott, *Tyler.*

Past Masters :

John Henry Liening,

William Frank Goad,

Jeremy Rockwell Totman,

Richard Jones.

MASTER MASONS :

Abshier, Uriah

Allen, William Tipton

Baldwin, Chester

Beauchamp, Ashley

Boss, Christian Fredrik

Calmes, Waller

Clark, Eli

Culp, John Mason

Daly, Owen Vincient

Davis, Maberry

Epperson, Brutus Clay

Estill, William Kavanaugh

Fine, Ledgard Belt

Gill, James William

Graham Edward Ruthvan

Goodrid, William

Gregory, Henry

Haddick, Jos. N. Morrison

Harden, George Beaty

Harris, Elisha Avery

Hart, Jackson

Hart, Samuel Armstrong

Howard, James Leland

Johns, George Washington

King, Thomas Carroll

Marshall, William Walker

McWilliams, And. Shannon

Mead, Alfred

Montgomery, Alexander

Putman, Francis Marion

Ramsey, John Bluford

Rathburn, Erskine

Robinson, Luke

Sehorn, Andrew Wallace

Smith, Stephen

Thayer, Albert Austin

Van Dorsten, Hy. Augustus

Weast, John Kyle

Wilson, Cyrus Pogue

Winkler, James Jackson

Witte, Henry

Wood, Archibald—56.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Moore, Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Wakefield, Leroy Sutton—1.

FRANKLIN LODGE, No. 143.

Onisbo, Sacramento County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

James Valentine Sims, <i>Master</i> ,	Hans Bernard Wm. Jagau, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Jens Romeo Olsen, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Harrison Span Ivey, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Dove, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Peter Bernhard Green, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Dwight Hollister, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Crofton,
Eugene Daniel Northup, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Geo. Franklin Cornish,
	Asbury B. Hustler, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Reuben Kercheval,	Hans Bernard Wm. Jagau,	Solomon Runyon.
James Valentine Sims,		

MASTER MASONS:

Arrasmith, Vernon	Krull, Ane Ayelts	Walker, Thomas Corodon
Hansen, Charles Erasmus	Morse, Stephen Turner	Walker, Lewis
Huggins, Henri Tyler	Stephenson, Oscar	Weaden, Thomas Henry
Johnston, William	Tyler, Walter Corodon	Winter, Wilhelm John—26.
King, Azariah Judson		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Pool, Francis M.—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Huber, Herman	Krull, Yke A.	McCullough, George—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Parker, John Frank—1.

DIED:

Foster, William Boyer—1.

ORIENTAL LODGE, No. 144.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Edgar Frank Preston, <i>Master</i> ,	George Leighton Jordan, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Vale, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Alfred Philemon Needles, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Howard Thompson, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Silas Selleck, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Friend Dorrance, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alden W. Jackson,
William Henry Loring, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Harper Ware, Jr.,
Asa Severance Fiske, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	John Emery Tippet, <i>Organist</i> ,
	Ira Colburn Root, (of California, No. 1,) <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

James Pullman,	Cornelius Prest'n Robinson,	Charles Edward Holbrook,
Alfred Coolidge Waitt,	Samuel Edwards Dutton,	Marcus Aurelius Edmonds,
John Bell,	David Charles Smith,	John Brewster Overton,
Milton Hills Myrick,	William James Townshend,	William Nisbet Olmsted,
William Friend Dorrance	Thomas Kyle,	Walter Scott Brown.

MASTER MASONS :

Aaroe, Sorentius August	Hartshorne, Benj. Minturn	O'Keeffe, Thomas John
Adams, George Russell	Hathaway, Edw'd Valentine	Olin, Ansel S.
Allison, William D.	Hawes, Oliver	Otto, Charles
Athearn, William	Hawkins, Francis Charles	Partridge, Edward Briggs
Baldwin, Alfred Walton	Healy, Charles Smith	Peirce, Frederick Wilmer
Barrett, Lawrence Patrick	Hendley, Aaron Chaffin	Perrins, John
Barry, Edward	Henriksen, Bernhardt Edw.	Phillips, Richard
Beamish, Percy	Heron, James	Pickens, John Henderson
Bent, Edward Fitz	Heusch, Constantine	Piercy, John Daniel
Best, John Tritten	Heuston, Hamilton Millett	Poindexter, Cornelius Wils'n
Blair, Augustine Wash'ton	Heydenfeldt, Solomon, Jr.	Porter, Thomas Alexander
Bosfield, Frederick Henry	Hofmann, Joseph Albert	Porter, William Handy
Bradford, Gershom	Holcomb, Samuel Elisha	Powers, George Herman
Brogan, Charles Carroll	Hollis, William	Putnam, Charles Benjamin
Brown, Brainard Charles	Holt, John Henry	Rail, Eugene Benton
Brown, Grafton Tyler	Hooper, William Burchell	Roberts, George Washington
Bryan, James Edward	Hubbard, Adolphus Skinner	Rogers, Fordyce Hunting'n
Bryant, William French	Hunter, John Valpey	Rosie, Walter
Buchanan, William Arthur	Hutchinson, John Jennings	Sampson, Frederick Wm.
Burges, Tristram	Hyde, Richard Elting	Sawyer, Lorenzo
Campbell, Walter Chauncey	Jackson, Charles Goddard	Schneider, Edward William
Carlson, Edward	Jarboe, John Rudolph	Scranton, Charles Edgar
Castle, Stephen	Jewell, Ammi Mitchell	Seyler, Charles, Jr.
Clayton, Charles	Jones, Evan Edward	Shattuck, Charles Curtis
Cooper, Eugene Thatcher	Josselyn, Charles	Shattuck, David Dustin
Cragin, Wm. Sawyer Wall	Jost, Charles	Sherman, William
Crittenden, Chas. Seymour	Kelly, Thomas	Smith, George Julian
Crowell, Charles Fitch	Kerr, James Patterson	Smith, Henry Sidney
Cubery, William McBurney	Larrabee, John Fiske	Smith, William Barber
Cutten, Edward Logan	Lawson, James Smyth	Souther, Joseph Nathaniel
Douthitt, David William	Lemon, Charles	Stanyan, Charles Henry
Bunham, Benj. Franklin	Leveridge, William Kirk	Stearns, Hiram Augustus
Eagleson, John Geddis	Lewis, Mortimer James	Steel, Thomas
Eldridge, John Oscar	Lloyd, Reuben Hedley	Stillman, Jacob David Bab'k
Ellis, Henry Cromwell	Louderback, And. Anderson	Stone, Dudley Columbus
Ellis, Henry Hiram	Lowell, Nathan Reuben	Story, Charles Robinson
Emery, Henry Tilton	Ludlum, Thomas Badgley	Sturges, Frank Fanning
Evans, Gomer	Maguire, Joseph Mitchell	Swan, Benjamin Ralph
Fiske, Henry Gustavus	Malpas, Alfred	Taylor, Samuel Pendfield
Garratt, William Thompson	Mathews, Edwin Goodrich	Taylor, William
Geary, John Fitzgibbon	Mathews, Henry Edward	Teschemacher, Henry Fred.
Gihon, Thomas	McMechan, James	Thornton, Samuel Kennedy
Ginty, John	Merry, William Lawrence	Tonningsen, Nicholas Henry
Godley, Montgomery	Milliken, Peter	Trimble, Leonard
Gordon, James Edward	Milroy, Robert Boyd	Turkington, Rich'dson Robt.
Grant, Thos. Chamberlain	Montague, Wilford Weed	Unruh, Henry Augustus
Green, Adam Treadwell	Mooers, John	Van Pelt, Peter
Greenwood, Monroe	Newhall, George Daniel	Wade, Albert Patten
Hagemann, Frederick, Jr.	Newhall, Harry Gregory	Wallace, James Hargraves
Hall, William Hammond	Newhall, Henry Mayo	Walrath, Austin
Harding, James Whitlock	Newhall, William Mayo	Walton, Nelson Collins, Jr.
Harney, William	Nicholson, John Henry	Waterman, Fred'k Hubbell
Harris, Henry Richard	Norcross, Daniel	Waters, John Stearn

Welton, Lamson Scoville	Winchester, John Parker	Wright, Stuart Selden
Wheeler, Frederick Alex.	Wood, Abraham	Young, Thomas
Williamson, Robt. Stockton	Wooster, John Benjamin	Younger, Wm. John—195.
Wilson, John Yates		

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Plate, Henry Augustus—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Gardiner, Thomas	Maxwell, James	Smith, Sidney Mason
Maude, Albert Clement	Mayhew, Harrison Allen	Westdahl, Ferdinand—6.

DIED:

Bugbee, Samuel Charles	Rochet, Joseph Arnaud	Webster, Daniel Francis—4.
Earle, George		

VITRUVIUS LODGE, No. 145

Bloomfield, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

William Haywood White, <i>Master</i> ,	William Parker Hall, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Crawford Crowder, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Thomas Mooney, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Michael Johnson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	General Washington Knapp, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Demick Lake, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	David Harrison Parks, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Salton Oliver, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Abraham H. Parks, }
	Cuthbert White, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Charles Richard Arthur,	John Salton Oliver,	Walter C. Percival.
Theodore Guevara Cockrill,		

MASTER MASONS:

Appleton, John	Dutton, Geo. Washington	LeBaron, Harrison Melvin
Bailey, Robert	Dutton, Warren	Parker, Alva
Cates, Augustus	Ephriam, Solomon	Parks, Oliver Browning
Church, Samuel Howard	Guldager, Hans	Percival, Samuel Crofts
ockrill, Bruce Travers	Hoag, David	Powers, Talbert Parker
Collins, Seymour Fairchilds	Koebelin, Laurence	Sheldon, Oliver Proctor
Crawford, Charles Howard	Kuffel, Isaac	Stillwell, Valencourt
Croze, John M.	Lasen, John	Waters, John Thomas
Duncan, Stafford	Laufenburge, Michael	Williscraft, John—41.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Greening, John—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Augustine, Samuel Miller Thompson, Wm. Hunton—2.

ABELL LODGE, No. 146.

Ukiah, Mendocino County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Jeremiah Henry Donohoe, <i>Master</i> ,	Edgar McDowell Barnes, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
George McCowan, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Charles Delos Ambrose, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Henry Seawell, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Louis Taylor Day, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Samuel Orr, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Hale McCowan,
James Grant Phillips, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Taylor Rogers, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	William Tell Zimmerman, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

William Henry Barnes, William Hanscomb Haskell, Thomas Benjamin Bond.
 Thomas Langley Carothers, Thomas Langley Barnes,

MASTER MASONS:

Beasore, Daniel Potter	Forse, William Henry	Hughes, James Harris
Briggs, Moses Carson	Gibson, Andrew Jackson	Isbill, William
Brown, Oliver Hazard Perry	Gibson, George Washington	Kilbourne, Wm. Vincent
Burchard, John Luther	Gobbi, Daniel	Marks, Seymour
Burns, Benjamin Smith	Hagans, Wallace Montg'my	McClintock, William
Charlton, Thomas	Hagans, William Andrew	McGarvey, Robert
Cleveland, William Jasper	Hagans, William Boyd	Mitchell, Hiram Heaton
Cole, William Marion	Hamilton, Chas. Callaghan	Norris, Andrew Jackson
Congleton, Aden C.	Heald, George William	Orr, James Henry
Cook, James Clinton	Henderson, Benjamin	Powell, John Washington
Dick, Andrew	Henry, John Rice	Smith, John Peter
Duncan, Jacob	Henry, Purdy	Son, Charles Johnson
Dunsing, Frederick	Henry William	Stanley, Jeremiah M.
Ellege, William Clint	Hensley, Henry Livingstone	Todd, John Franklin
Ellis, John Edward	Hoffman, Charles	Wagenseller, Norton
Fairbanks, Mandal W.	Host, William	Woodruff, Edward Charles
Fanning, Nathan Stamps	Howard, William Harper	Wright, Berry—67.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Barnett, Elias Lewis, James Clinton Wheeler, Samuel—3.

RESTORED:

Woodruff, Edward Charles—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bates, William Henry Gillespie, William Newsom, James Monroe—3.

DIED:

Barnes, Lewis Roberts Benton, Theodore Henry Mathews, John—3.

EEL RIVER LODGE, No. 147.

Rohnerville, Humboldt County,

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Seth Hopkins Crabtree, <i>Master,</i>	Frederick Bela Simonds, <i>Secretary,</i>
John Bassett Willey, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	James Clarkson Dorr, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
John Lampert Simmons, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	George Parish Jewett, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Augustus Martin, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Alvin Simpson Grinnell, <i>Marshal,</i>
	Miles Warren, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Abner Dill Sevier,

Seth Hopkins Crabtree.

MASTER MASONS:

Atkeson, William Erwin
Brown, Salmon
Buyatte, Louis
Coates, John
Coates, John Pim
Crabtree, Frank
Dale, John
Derr, Peter
Dobbyn, William Butler
Dungan, Jesse Henry
Drummond, Mark
Feigenbaum, Benedict

Feigenbaum, Joseph
Felt, Theodore Dwight
Fitzgerald, Cyrus Calvin
Foss, James Calvin
Frost, Charles Baker
Halliday, George
Hibbert, Farnum
Hicklin, Edward
Hicks, Leonard Salimon
Howard, James Bluxom
Houck, Peter

Perrott, Mathew
Richards, Charles Wesley
Singley, David Hosea
Singley, George Henry
Spacht, John
Stubbs, Martin Walkerly
Taylor, Charles Guilford
Trost, John Henry
Van Sickle, Thomas
Wood, Artemus Acey
Wright, Seaman—44.

LASSEN LODGE, No. 149.

Susanville, Lassen County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

John Chany Partridge, *Master*,
James Branham, *Senior Warden*,
Augustus Wm. Worm, *Junior Warden*,
David Knoch, *Treasurer*,
Albert Augustus Smith, *Secretary*,

Duane Harrison Tucker, *Senior Deacon*,
David Orin Kingsbury, *Junior Deacon*,
Samuel Throop Black, *Marshal*,
Wright Patrick Hall, }
Frank Thomas, } *Stewards*,

Allen Wood, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Albert Augustus Smith,
John Chany Partridge,

Allen Wood,
John Renshaw Lockwood,

William Henry Crane.

MASTER MASONS:

Arnold, Alexander Thrall
Bangham, Eber Gaston
Benton, Sidney S.
Bereman, Henry
Blake, James Curran
Bowman, Edwin David
Brockman, William
Cahlan, John
Cary, Edwin Ruthen
Chapman, John Slater
Cramer, Charles
Cramer, Daniel
Davis, John Charles
Drake, Frank
Duncan, And. Cunningham
Garrett, John Preston
Goumaz, Philip Jacob
Griffin, Francis Marion
Hall, Davis Clark
Hall, William Henry

Harrison, Michael
Hendrick, James Wesley
Hossekus, John Wesley
Houchins, William
Hulsmann, John Fritz
Hurlbert, Perrin Delos
Hyer, David Campbell
Johnston, Robert
Johnston, Samuel
Kelley, John Davis
Knudson, Lewis
Long, Thomas Newton
Lybarger, Geo. Robinson
McDow, Lafayette Decody
Maxwell, Jefferson Houston
Miller, Andrew
Minckler, William David
Moore, Charles Brady
Mosely, Albert B.
Naileigh, William Hill

Painter, Benjamin Bell
Pierce, George Strunk
Post, Theodore Moricoo
Sanders, Sanders
Segrave, John Henry
Sloss, Ferdinand Americus
Snyder, Henry
Spalding, Zetus Newell
Styles, Lyman Collins
Streshly, Orlando
Talbert, Henry
Talbot, Enoch Stanwood
Thibault, Louis
Titherington, David
Titherington, Joseph Baker
Tunison, Henry B.
Vary, LaDue
Ward, Trowbridge Hyer
Wheeler, Daniel Carl
Williams, Charles Francis

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WITHDRAWN:

Kingsbury, William Charles
Pine, John N.

Richardson, Joseph

Tanner, Dennis—4.

MOLINO LODGE, No. 150.**Tehama, Tehama County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Alvah Peterson, <i>Master</i> ,	Randolph Leadyard Williams, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Charles Harvey, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Moses Boire, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Andrew Simpson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Simpson, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Henry Baungarten, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Christian Heider,
La Fayette Fish, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Simpson Aitken,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Robert Monroe Woods, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Robert Hurd Blossom,

Alvah Peterson.

MASTER MASONS:

Aitken, Andrew Boyd	Gyle, Louis Abraham	Nolan, Francis
Aitken, Robert Balentine	Hazlett, Charles F.	Packard, Salmon W.
Brachman, Solomon	Hyatt, George Henry	Rodgers, James Madison
Bratten, John Michael	Johnson, Mathew Rector	Ryan, Thomas R.
Bryan, Morrison Marshal	Karmelenski, Jacob	Tyler, Jonathan Cooper
Chamberlain, Joseph	MacDonald, Kenneth	Vestal, Francis Asberry
Foster, Charles Frederick	Macken, Lewis	Watkins, William Wallace
Gemmill, John Blaine	Mays, William Henry	Williams, Geo. Washington
Griggs, Sydney Allen	Miller, William Wallace	Wilson, Henry Clay—40.
Gyle, Herman		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Davis, Frank—1.

RESTORED:

Ryan, Thomas R.—1.

WITHDRAWN:Ferrier, John Sutter
Galland, Joseph BarnettHutchins, Gavin Walker
Newman, Thomas Alexander
—4.**SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:**

Smith, John Nesbett—1.

PALMYRA LODGE, No. 151.**Placerville, El Dorado County.***Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Oliver Vinton Morris, <i>Master</i> ,	George Franklin McDonald, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
John Irwin Reed, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Oswald Hardie, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Henry Wetherwax, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	George Burnham, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Blair, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Andrew Jackson Spurbeck,
Thomas Frazer, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Robert Blair,
	Carlo Guiseppe Celio, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

George Heirn Gilbert,	John Peter Wonderlich,	Geo. Washington Phillips,
George Burnham,	Solomon Alexander Long,	Thomas Frazer.

MASTER MASONS:

Alden, Samuel Jemmison	Gruben, Bernard	Papina, Peter
Allen, John Page	Howlett, Geo. Washington	Pearson, John McFarland
Bailey, James Green	Hume, James Bunyan	Persing, Oscar H.
Blakely, Alburn James	Hunger, Frederick	Phillips, John Wells Davis
Boop, John Daniel	Jones, Albert Sabin	Piaggi, Eugene
Bowyer, Geo. Washington	Jewell, Godfrey	Reid, Alexander Hamilton
Cowan, William Wallace	Larned, Wellington	Rolleri, Joseph
Culbertson, And. Thompson	Little, Hiram	Shattuck, Chas. Washington
Danz, Paul	Macomber, David	Sheldon, Henry Bradley
Dater, Robert	Martin, Samuel	Spencer, Lorenzo
Debernardi, Giacomini	McDonald, Bryan	Spencer, Willis Eugene
Dench, John William	Moore, Solomon	Swan, Geo. Washington
DeWitt, Lemuel Bradley	Morey, Henry Sylvester	Van Voorhies, Ralph Josiah
Donaldson, John	Moss, Theodore Henry	Varozza, Marco
Eisfeldt, Theodore	Murray, Benjamin Franklin	Watt, Peter
Evins, Jehu	Murray, Nelson Henry	Williams, John
Frost, Amos Locke	Nash, Isaac Henry	Wray, George Washington
Gardella, Andrew	Olsen, Eric	Wright, Benjamin Franklin
Griffith, Maurice Griffith	Page, Horace Francis	Zerga, Stefano—72.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Bell, William Johnston	Kyser, James Peter	Misenne, Luigi Candido—4.
Iuch, Shelly		

RESTORED:

Campbell, John Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Campbell, John Henry—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Marsh, Orlando Marble	Penwell, Samuel Alexander	Turnbull, Robert Oliver—3.
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WOODLAND LODGE, No. 156.

Woodland, Yolo County.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

John Lowrey Simpson, <i>Master</i> ,	George Clayton Grimes, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Humphrey Hicks, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Simon Baker Relyea, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Francis Ellsworth Baker, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Porter Bullock, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Temple Perrin Magee, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Rasmus Bartholin Johnson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Kerson Smith, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Frank Albert Knox, }
Benjamin Franklin Harlan, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Thomas Cross Pockman,	Charles Lynus Beach,	John Dixon Stephens,
Charles Stincken Frost,	Daniel Monroe Burns,	Andrew Carlisle Kean,
James Kerson Smith,	Nicholas Wyckoff,	James Veirs.

MASTER MASONS:

Andrews, Geo. Washington	Berg, Emanuel	Browning, Robert Welch
Armstrong, Alex. Stewart	Biggerstaff, Rob't Warren	Browning, William York
Aronson, Henry	Billingsley, Urban Clark	Buckley, Robert Thomas
Bentley, Geo. Washington	Brown, Francis Marion	Church, Constant Brown

Cofer, James Mack	Howard, Stephen A.	Peek, John Watson
Cofer, Ransom Daniel	Howell, Marcus Worden	Perry, Henry
Cole, George Jermain	Hubbard, Daniel Campbell	Proctor, Calderon Weld
Comfort, Joseph	Hyman, Morris	Reindollar, Theo. Buffington
Craher, Charles Malary	Jacobs, John	Root, James
Curry, William Campbell	Johnson, James	Ross, Thomas
Day, Charles Granville	Kean, Fischel	Simpson, James
Dexter, Thomas Jefferson	Kelley, John Marshall	Smith, John Pincock
Everett, Philip George	Kenyon, Theo. E.	Sparks, Stephen Linton
Fisher, Peter Woods	Lambert, John	Steele, Samuel G.
Frazier, Donald	Lasky, Mark	Steiner, Adam
Freeman, Frank Sylvester	Lippman, George	Strong, Jason Bunce
Garoutte, Jere. Manahan	Machefert, Jean Marie Leon	Thomas, Marcus Wash'gto n
Gist, Jabez Chism	McKenna, John	Troop, Oscar Franklin
Gosliner, Julius	Megowan, Robert Wickliff	Watson, Joseph Benjamin
Hall, Andrew Jackson	Miller, Frederick	Welch, Robert Francis
Harper, Sterling Gorman	Miller, Hezekiah Monroe	Welch, William Hibbits
Holmes, Lyle Bones		

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ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Grum, David

Kincheloe, Zachariah Benson—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Bayley, Alexander Alonzo
Davis, Charles Henry

Davis, Samuel Augustus
Elliott, Nathan

Kenyon, Curtis George—5.

GIBSONVILLE LODGE, No. 158.

Gibsonville, Sierra County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Charles Oliver McQuesten, <i>Master</i> ,	Jacob Soper Gould, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Davis Thorn, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	George Wolters, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Nicholas Kiefer, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Humphreys, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Gerhard Kahrs, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Richard Densmore Sheppard, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
George McLeod, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thomas Fisk Lawrence, }
	Henry Wright, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Abel McFarland,

Carlos Duane Jillson,

Roderick Sutherland.

Charles Oliver McQuesten,

MASTER MASONS :

Berry, James Edwin	Hamson, Henry Clay	Overstreet, Charles Edwin
Bieler, Nicholas	Hogan, Martin	Overstreet, Law'nce Dabney
Brown, Henry Rolf	Kenn, Alexander	Patterson, Robert Pagan
Copeland, Isaac	Kling, François Joseph	Perry, James Elisha
Corbett, David	Lang, William Frederick	Robley, George
DeNoon, James Powers	McMartin, Findley Arch'd	Robson, Frederick Augustus
Douglas, John	Meikle, Adam Carr	Ross, Alexander
Dwinell, Aaron Lorenzo	Meikle, David	Schofield, Miles
Forbes, Hector	Meikle, Don'd Allen Frazer	Stevenson, John Thomas
Gordon, Charles	Metcalf, Samuel	Wiegand, John
Hagemann, Charles	Mortimore, Richard	Wolters, Charles—47.

PILOT HILL LODGE, No. 160.**Pilot Hill, El Dorado County.***Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Ernest Mortensen, <i>Master</i> ,	John Bishop, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Henry Jones, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Norman Elias Scofield, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Cherubino Dobbas, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Harden Matherly, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Loriston Hale Lovejoy, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thatcher Tounzon Lovejoy, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Alcander John Bayley, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Noah Beals Houston, }
Thomas Stevenson, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

John Bishop,	William Harden Matherly,	Ernest Mortensen.
Charles Henry Jones,		

MASTER MASONS:

Blue, Samuel Stout	Jones, Griffith Lewellen	Plumb, Wallace Boardman
Clark, David Ditch	Manning, Munson Wilder	Smith, William Dutra
Gains, John W.	Peacock, Francis Benjamin	Snider, Nicholas—20.

WITHDRAWN:

Comfort, Aaron R.	Stevenson, Jacob Henry—2.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Carney, Smith	Clow, Stephen Carlton	Story, DeWitt Clinton—3.
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KEYSTONE LODGE, No. 161.**Copperopolis, Calaveras County.***Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Peter Sterling Robertson, <i>Master</i> ,	Tho's Montgomery Clothier, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
William Snow, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Burns McClenahan, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Braids, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Conrad Hizer, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Vincenzo Lavilla, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Ruffing Dees, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Manuel Baker, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Wilson Abner Bisbee, }
George Washington Gilmore, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Barlow Dyer,	Peter Sterling Robertson.
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MASTER MASONS:

Deeble, Sampson	Millner, John Frederick	Piper, Chas. Wm. Frederick
Klemp, Jacob	Ottman, Herman	Zaiss, George Bernhard—20.
Meador, Joseph Bliss	Parks, Edward	

DIED:

Marsan, Peter Christopher—1.

HARMONY LODGE, No. 164.

Sierra City, Sierra County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

August Christopher Busch, <i>Master</i> ,	Schuyler Nind Wilcox, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
George Scott Black, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Gustaf Nelson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Goodman Rickard, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	William Coeks, } <i>Steward</i> ,
John Alexander Scott, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Crossman, }
Henry Warner, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Edward Beard, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Honable Hartwell Bigelow,	James Richard Peacock,	August Christopher Busch.
Henry Warner,	Schuyler Nind Wilcox,	

MASTER MASONS :

Bigelow, Stephen	James, William Matthew	Prichard, Elias
Brann, John	Jenkins, Alfred	Tartini, Natale
Clark, Lafayette	Luther, William Thompson	Vucossavich, Elia
Creveling, Elem. Nels. Leek	Mooney, Isaac Thompson	Williams, Thomas Moon—25.
Harland, Francis		

FELLOW CRAFT :

Hatch, Stephen—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Mills, Thomas Murphy, Patrick—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Harland, Henry Lumley

Hess, John Jacob—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Williams, Robert David—1.

DIED :

Banks, John Fairfield—1.

EXCELSIOR LODGE, No. 166.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS :

George Clinton Randall, <i>Master</i> ,	Fred'k Conway Hensley, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
Thos. Thompson Atkinson, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Charles Ferdinand Lutgen, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Charles Henry Phelps, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Curtis George Kenyon, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Aaron Doud, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Charles Johnson, }
George Hamilton Murdock, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Theodore Edward Smith, <i>Organist</i> ,
John Chase Hall, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,	James Oglesby, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Theodore Edward Smith,	Alexander Martin,	Washington Ayer,
Stewart Menzies,	John Martin Currier,	James Oglesby,
William Adams Stuart,	Wendell Easton,	John Dunbar Creigh.
Arpad Haraszthy,		

MASTER MASONS :

Allen, Isaac Patten	Belden, Henry Keney	Brooks, Thomas Hubbard
Anthony, Edward Taylor	Bloomer, John Godfrey	Brown, Irason Croner
Barnhisek, Epenetus Rodgers	Bonesteel, James Augustus	Brown, James Aldrich
Bates, Marshall Asher	Bradbury, Wm. Blackstone	Bullock, Frank Dyer

Burns, Benjamin Franklin	Hannigan, Michael Percival	Pearson, Henry Harm
Bryan, Charles Henry	Harloe, Marcus	Pike, Alfred Pillsbury
Buckingham, Aure's Eyn'd	Harrold, Richard	Pollock, James Crawford
Carroll, James	Heath, Henry Clay	Plummer, Benjamin Lucas
Chadwick, John	Heuer, George C. W.	Prag, Martin
Cherry, John Wesley	Hobbs, John Kimb'l Carl't'n	Quevedo, Francisco
Chester, Frederick	Hughes, Thomas Albertus	Raun, Edward Theodore
Chretien, John Merry	Huntoon, Isaac Davenport	Reddish, Thomas Jackson
Cicott, Frank Xavier	Hutchinson, William L.	Rising, Alfred
Clark, Seymour Benjamin	Kearns, Morris	Rodgers, Arthur
Cofran, George	Killip, Jasper Newton	Russell, Horatio Haskell
Cohen, Henry Lyon	Kincaid, John Evans	Schwab, Joseph
Collie, William Hay	Kirby, John Timothy	Scott, Abel Franklin
Coltart, Mathew Graham	Kitz, Phillip	Sharpe, Frank Benjamin
Cook, Joseph Carroll Hoff	Kohn, Isaack	Smith, Henry
Craig, James	Lardner, Henry Francis	Smith, William Findly
Creber, Walter	Lavery, Joseph Gray	Speed, Walter R.
Cressy, Albert	Leary, Andrew Jackson	Stoffer, Thomas Christian
Danforth, Edward Putnam	LeCount, Joseph Palmer	Street, Spencer Boyd
Davis, Richard	Llewellyn, Reese	Sumner, Frank William
Davis, William Henry	Long, George Searley	Thomas, David Lambert
Dore, Benjamin	Lowenberg, Solomon	Thompson, John Henry
Douglas, Thomas Francis	Lutkey, George	Trezona, Thomas
Edwards, Henry	Lynas, John Cooke	Triest, Bernhard
Edwards, William	Madison, John	Tyler, John
Eklund, John Peter	Madison, John Henry	Van Housen, William
Elliott, Nathan	McAlester, Wm. Frederick	Vollmer, Edward
Ellsworth, Henry Martyn	McCaffrey, Thomas	Von Gieglingen, Arthur
English, Edward	McDonald, Robert	Wells, John Jerome
Farnsworth, David Locke	McLeod, George	White, John Campbell
Fitzjohn, Alfred	McPherson, John	White, Joshua Howe
Fletcher, Samuel John	Michelsen, Peter	Wilson, Thomas Kingsbury
Garfield, John Quincy	Miller, Rasselas Jackson	Winfield, Robert
Gay, John Gilmore	Mix, Lee Williamson	Wood, William Cohen
Graham, Monkhouse	Moore, Arthur Weld	Wright, George Thomas
Greenwald, Frank Julius	Moraghan, Michael Bolan	Wright, Thomas
Gross, Frank Wells	Naunton, George	Wright, William James
Hall, Charles Reuben	Neff, Charles	

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RESTORED :

Kearns, Morris	Stoffer, Thomas Christian	Wheeler, Hiram S.—3.
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WITHDRAWN :

Wheeler, Hiram S.—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Allen, David	Fyfe, Robert	Scull, Charles
Carter, Charles Waldo	Holmes, Henry	Solomon, Benjamin
Delaney, John Lawrence	Scott, George	Wilson, Brown—10.
Douglass, George		

EXPELLED :

Ashton, William Charles—1.

DIED :

May, John A.

Squire, Henry Charles—2.

ALAMEDA LODGE, No. 167.

Centreville, Alameda County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Caleb Scott Haley, <i>Master</i> ,	Andrew Jackson Hare, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Oliver Lyman Southwick, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Antonio Lee, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Conrad Prag, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	George Mead Smith, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Mahlon Beach Sturges, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Mortimer, }
Lorenzo Gordin Yates, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Allen Trefry, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Lorenzo Gordin Yates,	George Andrew Beebe,	Caleb Scott Haley.
Samuel Ingersoll Marston,		

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, Augustus Peyton	Hirsch, Joseph	Nichols, Enos
Barry, William	Jeffrey, William	Niehaus, Edward
Beard, John Lyman	Laumeister, John Antone	Overacker, Howard Ignatius
Bergman, Nathan	Livingstone, Henry	Peacock, Geo. Washington
Bilz, John Adolph	Lowrie, John	Perry, David
Blair, Thomas Henry	McDavid, Andrew Jackson	Ryan, Edward
Bond, George William	McKeown, James	Scott, Alex. Ferguson
Cushing, Henry	McLeod, Andrew Jackson	Scott, Caleb Cook
Dixon, Matthew William	McLeod, James Monroe	Simpson, George
Ellenwood, Benjamin	Miller, Charles	Simpson, Ozias Buddington
Ellsworth, Henry Goodrich	Milton, William	Stokes, Frank Richard
Emerson, George	Moore, John Milton	Stuben, Henry
Fergodo, Emanuel Silvera	Morrison, Perry	Tabbut, Daniel Shepherd
Goyette, John	Mullen, John	Tuller, Orlando Prentiss
Haley, Comfort	Munch, Charles	Walker, Jared Tuttle—57.

RESTORED:

Barry, William—1.

SAN MATEO LODGE, No. 168.

Redwood City, San Mateo County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Harvey Newton Bishop, <i>Master</i> ,	Jonathan White, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Philander Perrigreen Chamberlain, <i>Sen. W.</i>	James Crowe, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Elpha George Irwin, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Dennis Grimes Leary, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
George Winthrop Fox, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Leonard Fisher, }
Heman Ambrose Scofield, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Poole, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Thomas Wardwell Lathrop,	Phil. Perrigreen Chamberlain,	Elipha George Irwin,
Samuel Mitchellmore Cook,	Will Frisbie,	Harvey Newton Bishop.
Horatio Nelson Nutting,		

MASTER MASONS :

Ames, John	Dibble, William H.	Johnson, Amasa Parker
Bailey, James S.	Donnelly, John	Johnston, John
Bare, Lyman Sammel	Falvey, Jeremiah	Kirkpatrick, Charles Alex.
Bartholomew, Levi	Fay, Alfred	Lawrence, William Henry
Borustein, Herman	Garrett, James	McLean, James William
Bornstein, Seigmund	Gillum, Benjamin Tolman	Peers, Alexander
Bradley, John Theodore	Goodspeed, Isaac Roscoe	Plummer, Frank
Clark, William Albert	Green, George Wilson	Prebble, Lucius William
Cobb, William Henry	Hayes, Benjamin Herrick	Rich, John Colby
Collie, David	Hughes, William	Rosenhime, Jacob
Cooley, Lester Philip	Hull, William Whipple	Rumbol, Richard Foyester
Dennis, Amos	Hunter, William	Warren, Albert Thomas
Dickenson, Marshall Shields	Jaszynsky, Louis	Wilcox, Wilbur Jarius—53.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Brittain, Morgan Lewis—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Thomas, William Robert—1.

DIED :

Gordon, Daniel Frank

Murray, Calvin Alonzo—2.

MISSION LODGE, No. 169.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Columbus Waterhouse, <i>Master</i> ,	Jerome Spaulding, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Albert Frederick Knorp, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Whigham, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph McMath, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Edwin H. Black, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Ede, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Martin Van Buren Taylor, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Russell Buscelle, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Wood Keystone, }
Joseph McQuoid, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Jerome Spaulding,	Columbus Waterhouse,	Frank Augustus Reynolds,
Elias Rodecker,	Palmer Cox,	John Wagner,
Fred'k Adelbert Waterhouse,	Adrian Russell Smith,	Albert Frederick Knorp.
Parlan R. Cunningham,		

MASTER MASONS :

Ames, George Spencer	Bradbury, William Thomas	Coffin, Rudolphus William
Amos, John	Bronn, Theo. Arthur Peter	Connolly, James Edward
Atkinson, George Frederick	Brooks, Orion	Crisman, Chas. Lafayette
Barker, Henry Larcom	Browning, Jeremiah	Curry, John Eugene
Barton, Charles Curtis	Bryan, Jacob	Curtis, John Morrison
Baston, Joseph Gardner	Burnes, Thos. Huntington	Davis, Abraham Barker
Baxter, Matthew	Burt, William James	Davis, Charles Sanford
Bean, Joseph Whidden	Caldwell, Joseph M.	Davis, George Eugene
Bestor, Henry Thomas	Carson, Henry Wilson	Delfs, Henrich Julius Edw'd
Black, William	Center, Hugh	Diserens, Frederick
Blake, Charles Edward	Chapman, Thomas	Dodge, Josiah Winslow
Blakely, Edwin	Cheeseman, Robert Bowen	Dorman, Charles Wesley

Douglass, George Willard	Leavy, Lachman Abraham	Schmid, Wilhelm
Dow, Cyrus Clinton	Little, George Harknes	Scott, Edwin George
Eyer, William	Lyons, Seely Baker	Seares, David Sherman
Fairfield, Marshall	Magg, John Alexander, Jr.	Shanabrook, Isaac L.
Falls, Richard James	Magilton, Thomas	Shapard, Louis J.
Fenton, Edward	Mara, Michael Reed	Shaw, Oliver Bradbury
Foree, George Haynes	Marshutz, Wm. Benjamin	Sheffield, Charles Perkins
Foster, Frederick Watson	McAleer, Edward Charles	Smith, Charles Henry
Gilmore, Archibald Neil	McCall, William	Smith, Joseph Grafton
Graham, John	McDonald, Benjamin L.	Spear, Alexander Fulton
Hall, Seth Paine	McDonald, Ronald	Steuart, Joseph Archibald
Hammit, John Nimrod	McGill, Joseph	Stone, James Henry
Hanlon, Daniel	McLay, George Binney	Sutton, Charles, Jr.
Harmstead, Joseph Beck	McNicoll, Andrew	Swain, George, Jr.
Hastey, Alonzo Potter	McPhun, William, Jr.	Thomas, Calvin Cerry
Haws, Elisha	Mead, Lewis Risdon	Thomas, Joel Louzell
Hawks, Richard Hamilton	Meldrum, Charles Kilham	Thomas, William Henry
Heineberg, Benedict	Mesh, Fritz Johan	Thompson, Thornton
Hellwig, Carl Fred'k Her. C.	Miller, Abram Isaac	Tippetts, George Frederick
Henry, John	Miller, Asa Demmick	Tressler, George
Higgins, Robert	Miller, George	Truett, Mire Fisher
Higgins, William	Mills, David Josiah	Tucker, Edward Warren
Hitchcox, Henry	Nelson, Josiah	Tuttle, Thomas Jefferson
Hobkirk, Peter	Newman, Charles Louis	Twitchell, William Lander
Hock, Henry	Oehne, Frederick	Valentine, John
Hoffman, Charles	O'Hara, James Daniel	Van Shaack, William
Howe, Alvin Jared	Patton, Thomas	Vigoreux, Augustus Wm.
Jones, Charles Le Barron	Periam, Charles James	Von Harten, Lewis
Jones, Edward Thomas	Pickles, Edmund	Wacker, Charles Frederick
Jones, John Richard	Popp, Herman	Waddington, Jabez
Kane, John Frederick	Prince, Henry Gilman	Walter, Thomas Cook
Kennedy, James Kelty	Purinton, Byron	Wang, Sigfried Charles
Kelly, Henry	Purinton, William Rollin	Watson, John Bradley
Kinnier, Patrick	Quint, George Washington	Wesson, Joseph William
Knapp, Albert	Raabe, Frederick William	White, Oscar William
Knowlton, Ebenezer	Roberts, Ellis	Wiley, Isaac
Kremple, Francis James	Robinson, Henry Scott	Williamson, Charles
Lampe, Theodore Charles	Rutherford, Francis Aug.	Wood, John
Latham, James	Sauerland, Lewis	Woodward, Arthur Sedley
Lanson, Enoch	Scheel, Heinrich	Worth, William Henry—175.
Leatham, Charles		

FELLOW CRAFTS:

English, John Francis

Mahler, Martin—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

RESTORED:

Herbert, Richard Henry

Wood, Luther White—2.

Walker, Edward—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Barnes, William Russell

Potter, Henry

Walker, Edward—4.

Hamlin, George

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Blakely, Calvin

McLean, Andrew Norman

Patten Henry—5.

Ingraham, John Sturges

Ogden, Benjamin Franklin

DIED:

Dorland, Henry Smith

Steinle, Henry—2.

ELK GROVE LODGE, No. 173.

Elk Grove, Sacramento County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Evander Berry Willis, <i>Master</i> ,	William Ladd Willis, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Norman Ives Stewart, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	_____, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Cyrus Brackett Kennard, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Isaac F. Freeman, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Obadiah Schenck Freeman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Thomas Taverner, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Richard Allin, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Louis Herbert, }
Edward Irwin Byington, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Thomas McConnell,	Obadiah Schenck Freeman,	Evander Berry Willis.
Richard Allin,		

MASTER MASONS:

Andrews, John Nichols	Cotter, Thomas	Pugh, Louis Monroe
Beckley, Pyrine Ripley	Davis, Morrow Henry	Rae, John Goodwilley
Belcher, John Morton	Elder, James Andrew	Richards, John
Brown, Richard John	Iler, George Henry	Street, Seth
Carr, Arthur John	Mitchell, William	Westlake, Richard
Christophel, Nicholas	Patton, John William	Wright, Ralph—30.
Colton, Darwin		

WITHDRAWN:

Jones, James Cottle	Martin, George Isaac	Simons, Ezra—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Perrin, Edward Russell	Stevens, Andrew—2.
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DIED :

Smith; Hiram Abiff—1.

DRYTOWN LODGE, No. 174.

Drytown, Amador County.

*Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

John Milton Hinkson, <i>Master</i> ,	Richard Summers Hinkson, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
William Tippet, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Brown, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Vaughn, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Absalom McCarty Vaughan, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Calder Haymond Misner, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Julio Ambrose Gessler, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Jennings, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Russel Brace Daniels, }
Henry Burchel, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

John Milton Hinkson,	Henry Burchel,	Julio Ambrose Gessler.
Richard Summers Hinkson,	William Abraham Norman,	

MASTER MASONS :

Benjamin, John Evan	Hinkson, Milton Adams	Kline, George
Davis, Thompson	Hinkson, Nelson Cicero	Patton, Thomas
Ferretti, Bartolomo	Huse, Samuel Emmerson	Schairer, Frederick
Hink, Louis	Jones, William Thomas	Worley, Daniel—24.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Lagomarsino, Lazzaro

Lander, James—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Armsden, Josiah—1.

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT :

Gilmore, Robert McCallum—1.

DIED:

Caldwell, Crawford

Rhodes, Samuel Boone

Tippett, James Richard—3.

ANTIOCH LODGE, No. 175.

Antioch, Contra Costa County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Francis Williams, *Master*,Walter Nellis, *Senior Deacon*,George Creighton Wright, *Sen. Warden*, David Edward Williams, *Junior Deacon*,Frederick Wilkening, *Junior Warden*, Morris Harris Jacobs, } *Stewards*,John Conlin O'Brien, *Treasurer*, Ferdinand Stamm, }William Riddle Forman, *Secretary*, John Gibson Chase, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Francis Williams,

Manuel Casada Parkison,

Thomas Orlando Carter.

Roswell Butler Hard,

MASTER MASONS:

Baker, Ferdinand Marshall

Hackler, John Pleasant

Prosser, Watkin

Beazley, Theophilus

Hamilton, James Weir

Siggins, Isaac

Carey, John Elias Wager

Hammond, Thomas

Thomas, Evan

Carey, Joseph Fletcher

Jewett, Henry

Toors, Jacobus

Charnock, Richard

Larsen, Lars Johan

Tunnock, Andrew

Cody, Matthew

Levy, Mark Sylvester

Tyler, Nathaniel Austin

Copeland, George

Lobree, Isaac

Veal, Richard Rowe

Davis, Alexander Campbell

Mahan, David Patrick

Wall, George

Evans, James Jones

Morgans, Morgan

Williams, Joseph Edward

Evans, James Thomas

Neustadter, Bernhard

Wingate, Robert

Gallagher, Henry Clay

Oden, William Thomas

Yets, Richard—47.

Girvan, William

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Luppa, Charles

Walsh, Martin—2.

RESTORED :

Prosser, Watkin—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Manson, William—1.

MERCED LODGE, No. 176.

Snelling, Merced County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Mark Howell, *Master*,Benj. Franklin Fowler, *Senior Deacon*,William Leland Means, *Senior Warden*,Lewis Madison Gillham, *Junior Deacon*,William Lewis Sillman, *Junior Warden*,William John Hart, } *Stewards*,Louis Goldman, *Treasurer*,

Frank Peck,

Gilbert Bodine Neighbor, *Secretary*,Peter Shaver, *Tyler*.

Past Masters :

Mark Howell,	William John Hart,	William Leland Means.
Benjamin Franklin Howell,	Adolph Israel Simon,	

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, Henry Clay	Hoskins, William	Thompson, Fred'c Nissen
Blair, Charles Macmurdo	March, Silas	Thurman, William Henry
Breen, Nicholas	McSwain, Alex. Campbell	Turner, William Henry
Coats, William Lafayette	Meany, Anthony James	Wigginton, Peter Dinwiddie
Delashmutt, Basil		—25.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Burns, Lionel Guy	Delong, Charles Elgin	Ellis, Armistead Turner—3.
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WITHDRAWN:

Jacobs, Isaac Henry	Simon, Ephraim Israel	Weed, William Seaman—4.
Rector, Elbridge Gerry		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Dickinson, Samuel	Mack, James Dean	Wyatt, Mark—3.
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DIED :

Mayers, Willis—1.

AZTLAN LODGE, No. 177.

Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona Territory.

Stated Meetings, last Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS :

George Whitfield Curtis, <i>Master,</i>	Morris Goldwater, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Julius M. P. F. Rodenburg, <i>Sen. Warden,</i>	Emil Ganz, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Noah C. Shekles, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Thomas Simpson Ruff, <i>Marshal,</i>
Edward Joseph Cook, <i>Treasurer,</i>	George Edwin Berry, } <i>Stewards,</i>
William Needham Kelly, <i>Secretary,</i>	Otto Weber, }
	John Ehle, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

John Tabor Alsap,	Hezekiah Brooks,	Geo. Demetrius Kendall,
Thomas Cordis,	Cotesworth Pinckney Head,	George Whitfield Curtis,
Allen Cullumber,	George Lount,	Alvin Stuart Haskell.

MASTER MASONS :

Akers, John Benjamin	Farrington, Rufus Elias	Hendrickson, Geo. Breed
Alexander, Henry M.	Foster, Micah	Higgins, Wilbur Fisk
Alters, Lewis Jacob	Foy, James	Keating, Frank
Block, Barrack	Funk, John	Kohlhey, Philip
Bowers, Edward Franklin	Garside, Robert	Lawall, August
Brecht, Frederic Gustav	Gillson, John	Marion, John Huguenot
Breon, Paul	Goldwater, Michael	Miller, Samuel Carron
Breon, Stephen	Gosper, John J.	Mitchell, John Edwin Gray
Brower, George Norman	Gough, James William	Monihon, James Davison
Butler, Thomas Jefferson	Griffin, Norman Lee	Moore, Andrew Jackson
Campbell, Malcolm Duncan	Grubb, George	Mullen, Patrick
Dougherty, Thos. Cadw'ld'r	Hance, George Washington	Nathan, Solomon
Dugas, Louis	Hargrave, Joseph Priestly	Noyes, Albert Osgood
Elliott, Richard Emerson	Hathaway, Guilford	Peebles, Abner Harlow

Pierce, Nathaniel Parda	Sullivan, Jeremiah William	Walker, Joseph Rutherford
Redfield, Henry Theophilus	Thomas, Reuben Sherman	Webster, John M.
Rees, John	Thompson, Edm'd Francis	Wells, Edmund William
Schroeder, Charles	Thompson, Peter	Wickler, George John
Senteney, Francis Marion	Tozier, John Emmett	Williscraft, Wm. Hamilton
Shaw, Francis A.	Vickers, John	Wisdom, Andrew Thomas

—79.

FELLOW CRAFTS :

Burk, Thomas

Marcou, Stephen Giberton—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Bigelow, Henry Augustus

Salt, John Henry

Spaulding, Henry—3.

WITHDRAWN :

Davis, James Wilson—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

EXPELLED :

Cory, William

Pierce, Stephen Zed—2.

Partridge, William—1.

PHOENIX LODGE, No. 178.

San Bernardino, San Bernardino County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

John Caleb King, <i>Master</i> ,	Smith Cook Haile, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Daniel William Brooks, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Shannon Bright, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Sydney Mee, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	David Lehigh Aldridge, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Lewis Jacobs, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Albert Osborn Holmes,
Charles Fowler Roe, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Francis LeBarron Talmadge, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Wolf Fleischer, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

James Alexander Rousseau,	Isaac Raphael Brunn,	John Caleb King,
Horace Cowen Rolfe,	George Lord,	Jeremiah Drake Ousterhout.

MASTER MASONS:

Andreson, John	Davis, Edward James	Johnsou, James Laborn
Ball, Hezekiah Wright	Dumont, Henry	Jones, Richard Benjamin
Ball, Nelson Barlow	Folks, Samuel	Katz, Marcus
Bergman, Jacob	Fox, William Riley	Knox, John Thompson
Bledsoe, Howard	Garner, Moses B.	Kurtz, Christian
Brown, Joseph	Goebel, Hugo	Lawrence, Charles Marshall
Burkhart, John Bratzell	Goldbaum, Louis	Linville, William Jamieson
Campbell, Chalon Guard	Goldberg, Hyman	Livingston, Joseph Bell
Campsie, William	Gray, Henry Julius Evelyn	MacFarlane, Thomas Lewis
Caro, Lewis	Henderson, Wm. McDonald	Mathews, Benj. Franklin
Chute, Austin Sirphronus	Hicks, George Hicks	McKenney, And'w Franklin
Clark, Hiram	Holden, John Alexander	Morgan, Josiah Wheeler
Clark, Horace	Hughes, Joseph Harrison	Morgan, Samuel Colvin
Craig, Scipio	Hunt, Charles Emil	Nicholson, John
Curtis, William Jesse	Huston, Daniel Townsend	Packard, Charles Edward

Paris, Andrew Baley	Russell, Prior Smallwood	Tyler, Uriah Urbane
Peacock, James Corbett	Satterwhite, John Wood'd	Waite, Sydney Paine
Poppett, Robert	Taggart, John Henry	Waters, Byron Brewster
Rittler, Morris	Terrace, Milford Byron	Winkler, August—73.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Lewis, Lewis—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Slaughter, Fenton Mercer—1.

RESTORED:

McKenney, Andrew Franklin	Paris, Andrew Baley	Waite, Sydney Paine—3.
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WITHDRAWN:

Lindsley, Samuel Goodwin—1.

EXPELLED:

Levy, Isaac Hershel—1.

DIED:

Moore, Mathew

Suverkrup, Henry—2.

MENDOCINO LODGE, No. 179.**Mendocino, Mendocino County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Frederick Hailing, <i>Master</i> ,	John Peter Lindberg, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Herbert Jarvis, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Hans Hanson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Wm. Andrew McCormack, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	William Valentine, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Thomas Dollard, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Charles Oscar Packard, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Griffin, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Andrew McLeod, }
August Freding, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Alfred Smith Nelson,	Benjamin Almon Paddleford,	Francis Edward Warren.
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MASTER MASONS:

Bailey, William Jenness	Heeser, William	McLeod, Robert
Bergerson, Martin	Hoak, Newman Ervine	McPhee, George Samuel
Byrnes, John	Huff, Charles Edward	Miller, William Edgar
Cameron, Alexander D.	Johnson, James Edward	Nelson, James
Chamberlain, Wilson W.	Kelly, William Henry	Petersen, Thomas Heinrich
Christianson, Charles John	King, John	Reilly, James Edward
Coombs, Richard Gibson	Kleinsmith, Hermann	Rushing, Enoch Deason
Coombs, Silas	Lord, Thomas	Sander, George Henry
Corrigan, James	Markle, Robert Bruce	Sass, Charles David Ferd.
Doyle, James	McCallum, Alexander	Smith, George Canning
Ekroth, John Henry	McCroden, James	Smith, Martin Thomas
Findeison, Charles	McDonald, John	Tibbetts, Otis Nelson
Foye, Henry Malcolm	McDonald, John Kenneth	Waddell, Joseph
Fraser, James William	McDonald, Neil	Wiess, Frederick
Hagenmeyer, Gebhard	McKay, Alexander	Woodruff, Chester—61.
Hazeltine, Martin M.	McKay, Andrew	

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

McKay, Angus—1.

RESTORED:

Smith, George Canning—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Thompson, Alexander—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:**DIED:**

Hutchings, Winslow

Mills, John Thomas—2.

Tefteller, Jacob Anderson—1.

ARCTURUS LODGE, No. 180.

Petaluma, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Marcus Dyatheka Goshen, <i>Master</i> ,	Thomas Robert Jacobs, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John William McClymonds, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	William Samuel Keays, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Miles Henry Falkner, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Louis Tomasini, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Barnabas Haskell, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alexander Lackey,
Josiah Hor Crane, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Peter Joseph Stieger,
William Hazen Rugg, (of <i>Petaluma Lodge, No. 77</i> .) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Benjamin Franklin Tuttle,	Noah William Scudder,	Marcus Dyatheka Goshen.
James Singley,		

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, John Quincy	Heineken, Herman Albert	Mitchener, Jonathan
Baur, John	Hopkins, Henry Clay	Overton, Albert Perry
Bean, Ashael Adams	Jewett, George Enoch	Poehlmann, Conrad
Bernhard, Isaac	Kahn, Achille	Polk, Charles Ephraim
Bowles, Joseph Martin	Kookan, John Anderson	Reynolds, Edwin
Brainard, Henry Paine	Lane, Alpheus Wilbur	Safford, James Billings
Brooks, Sylvester	Latapie, Edward	Shearer, John
Cameron, James	Light, Elisha	Sykes, Joseph Smith
Christie, John Boyd	Lynch, Henry Ainsworth	Taft, Henry Clay
Dalton, William Harper	Manvill, Geo. Washington	Tempel, Conrad
Dinwiddie, Jas. Lockridge	Markwell, Henry Booth	Tomasini, Juliano
Dodge, Horace Francis	Marsh, Randolph County	Tomasini, Mateo
Doughty, Abner Randolph	McGuire, Thomas	Tucker, William Mason
Dreyfuss, Edward	McLaren, Colin Cameron	Van Doren, John Suydam
Faith, George	McLaren, John Cameron	Wakefield, Orin Lewis
Giacomini, Natale	McLaren, William Duncan	Walter, Isaac M.
Grover, Benjamin Percy	McNear, Franklin Ellis	Ward, George Franklin
Hanna, James Grant	Merritt, John	Weston, Henry Little
Hasbrouck, Hiram Brown	Mills, William Andrew	Zook, Francis Kurtz—71.
Himebauch, Joseph		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bowers, Alfonso Benjamin	Humphries, Charles	Wands, James—5.
Gunning, William Crawford	Lee, Egbert Phelps	

RUSSIAN RIVER LODGE, No. 181.

Windsor, Sonoma County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

George Henry Kennedy, <i>Master</i> ,	Amos Legg, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Jackson Pool, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Andrew Jackson Hembree, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
John Mack Laughlin, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Frank Briggs, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Thomas Jamison Barnes, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Sir John Johnson,
Jasper James Lindsay, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Morrow Thompson,
Thomas McQuiston, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Edwin Harrison Barnes,	Thomas McQuiston,	George Henry Kennedy,
Benjamin Clark,	Thomas Jamison Barnes,	David Henry Shaw.
Charles McDouall,		

MASTER MASONS:

Ambrose, John Nichols	Gains, William Crockett	Mitchell, Robert Thomas
Bohn, Frederick	Graham, James William	Norris, Elias
Briggs, Hiram	Hoffer, Charles Augustus	Ridenhour, Lewis William
Caldwell, Charles Young	Kennedy, Charles William	Rosenberg, Myer Joseph
Calhoun, John Washington	Kennedy, James	Shepherd, Alexander
Campbell, James Absolom	Laughlin, James H.	Shuler, George
Clark, Charles	Maddux, Lorenzo Dow	Smith, Isaac Preston
Clark, Robert Masalon	Mather, John	Williams, George Finley
Cowan, James Harvey	McDouall, George	Yates, John William
Florence, Marshall	McKelvy, Lewis	Yates, Thomas Miller—45.

WITHDRAWN :

Hewlett, Edmond Palmer	Sagar, Samuel Christon	Thompson, John Davidson—4.
Mathews, John		

DIED :

Steadman, Amos Daniel—1.

MERIDIAN LODGE, No. 182.**Meridian, Sutter County.**

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Oliver Perry Burgett, <i>Master,</i>	Henry Joseph Godfrey, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Daniel Joseph Brooks, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Willis William Wilbur, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
William Thomas Perkins, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Henry Burgett, <i>Marshal,</i>
Job Kettle Wood, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Leonidas Summy, }
Albert Fouch, <i>Secretary,</i>	Stephen Lilly Williams, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Abram Hedding Mitchell, <i>Chaplain,</i>	Jasper Newton Decker, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters :

Henry Burgett,

Oliver Perry Burgett.

MASTER MASONS:

Allen, James Monroe	Doty, William	Moon, Richard Albert
Blanchard, George Newton	Gladden, James McElroy	O'Neil, James
Comer, John	Johnston, John Marion	Peck, William Francis
Clapp, John Strachan	Jones, Jonas	Wood, Ira Halstead
Davis, Simeon Tyler	Moon, Alfred Sax	Wooley, Charles—28.
Davis, William Walter		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Harris, Andrew Jackson—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Brockman, John Henry	Ogden, William	Winship, Isaac Augustus—5.
Dixon, Martin Van Buren	Simmons, Jonathan	

RESTORED :

Titus, Frank Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Titus, Frank Henry—1.

CLEAR LAKE LODGE, No. 183.

Lower Lake, Lake County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

William Harrison Cunningham, <i>Master</i> ,	Laban Harding Gruwell, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Solomon Getz, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Charles Frederick Linck, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Gerald Edward Ward, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Ralph Kenniston Nichols, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Henry Harrison Wilson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Morris Levy,
Samuel Hawthorn Thompson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Hunt Smith,
	Thomas Lorenzo Castellan, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

James Washington Howard, Wm. Harrison Cunningham, Ralph Kenniston Nichols.
Henry Harrison Wilson,

MASTER MASONS:

Aspern, John Von	Hanson, David Marcus	McIntire, Charles
Brown, James Wesley	Hanson, George Major	Reinicke, John
Crané, Collins	Hendricks, Joel Dickson	Shaub, Conrad
Crigler, John Christopher	Herndon, Francis Marion	Smythe, James Luther
Delmont, Francois	Hogan, William Mars	Snow, George Horace
Getz, Marcus	Hughes, Henry	Snow, William S.
Hagans, Edwin Bruce	Kennedy, Hiram	Stubbs, Charles—34.
Hanson, Daniel Apperson		

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Ash, Robert Charles George Morrell, Albert Fairfield—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Brown, Harris Hagans, William Andrew Noel, Alonzo Emmerson—3.

DIED :

Nichols, Leslie Phineas—1.

SIERRA VALLEY LODGE, No. 184.

Sierraville, Sierra County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Edmund Danforth, <i>Master</i> ,	Thomas Lebroke, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Andrew Joshua Flint, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Jarad Strang, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Eliphalet Lewis Case, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Cromwell Lemmon, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Albert S. Nichols, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Parcher Haines,
George Wood, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Campbell,
	Asa Hiestand, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Edgar Haun, Edmund Higgins Hamlin, Wm. Cromwell Lemmon.

MASTER MASONS:

Arms, William	Gibson, William George	Patterson, David B.
Badenoch, James Frasier	Hubbard, Wilbur Fisk	Rawdon, William Babcock
Campbell, Francis Henry	Huyck, Richard Asa	Richardson, Elijah Allen
Chandler, Russell Hunter	Keyes, David Bigelow	Rowland, Francis Marion
Chandler, William Henry	Kosta, John Peter	Smith, Martin Van Buren
Dolley, Linus	Leonard, Jewett G.	Toomy, John Shriver
Dolley, Otis Byron	Lowdon, Robert	Vandever, Simon Vedder
Fisher, Simon	McConnell, Edwin	Wilkerson, Jacob—39.
Garfield, Levi Smith	Oleson, Peter	

WITHDRAWN:

Hamilton, William Thomas—1.

CLAIBORNE LODGE, No. 185.

Punta Arenas, Mendocino County.*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.*

OFFICERS :

Aaron Chalfant, <i>Master</i> ,	George Sheppard Spaulding, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Soren Iversen, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Pincus Peters, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Stephen Wilson Randolph, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Forests Percival Phelps, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Arnold Reynolds, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Samuel Jackson Meloney, }
Rodolphus Dexter Handy, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Underhill, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Niels Iversen,	Rodolphus Dexter Handy,	James Arnold Reynolds.
Aaron Chalfant,	George Sheppard Spaulding,	

MASTER MASONS:

Bourn, Morton	Grey, Ninian Edward	Nelson, Henry
Bowman, Alfred	Horgan, William	Newfield, Aaron
Cummings, James	Jespersen, Jesper Worren	Scrutton, Robert
Cureton, John Wesley	Johnston, William Thomas	Spencer, David Louk
Davis, George Worrell	Lancaster, Kemp	Wade, Sylvanus Raynor
Graham, Washington	Leighton, Isaac Hersey	Warren, Julius Buel Micah

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ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Niles, Rufus	Whelpton, Charles—2.
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WITHDRAWN :

Griffiths, Jacob Hamilton	Kline, Mark—2.
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SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT :

Lyman, Charles—1.

EVENING STAR LODGE, No. 186.

Etna, Siskiyou County.

Stated Meetings, fourth Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Kise Doney, <i>Master</i> ,	Abisha Swain, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Wallace McBride, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Amos, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Horace Wellington Sullivan, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Hugh Blythe Andrews, <i>Marshal</i> ,
James Alden Diggles, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Charles Baird,
Martin Marx, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Albert Wallis, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Jacob Messner, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Abisha Swain,

Martin Marx.

MASTER MASONS:

Able, James	Hughes, Lewis	Reed, John Smith
Bridger, Henry	Johnston, Lawrence H.	Redemeyer, Christ'n Fred'k
Daggett, John	Kean, James Eugene	Rostetter, George
Davidson, Jeremiah	Laird, William Thomas	Smith, George
Doll, Josiah	Little, James Berkeley	Taylor, Robert Pey
Durand, George	Loring, Frederick Hayden	Tonkin, James Bryant
Fairchild, John Price	Messner, John Martin	Truitt, Henry
Grant, John	Morgan, William Henry	Vogan, James Harper
Green, Orson Valentine	Parker, Alexander	Wasmuth, Philip William
Hall, Harvey King	Poullot, Edward	Watkins, Charles William
Hansen, Hans	Radford, William Arundel	Wild, William Edward— 46.
Hughes, John Striker	Rainey, James	

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Dawson, William Thomas	Geney, Henry	Kist, Charles William—3.
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RESTORED:

Vogan, James Harper—1.

EXPELLED:

Hall, Elisha Henry—1.

DIED:

Reinfeld, William Henry—1.

KEITH LODGE, No. 187.

Gilroy, Santa Clara County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

John Michael Einfalt, <i>Master</i> ,	Malcolm Mount, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Edwin Jackson Bryant, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Calvin Woods, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Samuel Rea, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Albert Warthen, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Jacob Reither, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George Seaman,
Henry Conrad Warner, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Ambrose Bruen Tryon, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Charles Curtis Béal, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

John Mathew Keith,	John Michael Einfalt,	Henry Conrad Warner.
Henry Waterhouse Briggs,	William Henry Haydock,	

MASTER MASONS :

Babb, Silas Grotan	Hagerman, George H. F.	Rea, James William
Bennett, George Edmen	Harrison, John Eubank	Reeve, Henry Francis
Burgess, Levi	Headen, George Thomas	Riehl, Adam
Cameron, Alex. Duncan	Hinman, Ashbel Green	Schlesinger, Nathan
Christie, Lorenzo Monson	House, Joseph Anderson	Stayton, Robert Glover
Cole, Amos Granger	Howard, Volney	Thomas, Thomas Reynolds
Comins, Cooper	Hunter, Marshal Emory	Thysen, Peter Hanson
Dannenbaum, Joseph	Jones, Hugh Stevenson	Tully, Pleasant Briton
Darrough, Thomas	Knight, John March	Turner, James Heaton
Doolittle, Ira Ripley	Loupe, Samuel	Vaughan, George
Eames, William	Martin, John Campbell	Weymouth, James Lambert
Farley, Charles Kean	McDuffee, Henry Lynn	Wolfrom, Adam
Farmer, Edward Henry	Morey, Harvey Chapin	Wright, James
Fish, Prosper William	Morris, John	Wright, William Walter
Guibal, Eugene	Mulreed, Thomas	Wyatt, Oliver Perry—61.
Gunzendorfer, Ferdinand	Murdock, John	

WITHDRAWN:

Bruen, John Hedden

Phelan, Martin—2.

OAKLAND LODGE, No. 188.

Oakland, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, first Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Alvah Kittredge Clark, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles Drinkwater Hayes, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Francis O'Beirne, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Black, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Edwin Whitney, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Edward Child, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Charles Boardman Rutherford, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alexander Laidlaw, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
James Edward Ingols, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thomas McWattie, }
Alfred Septimas Baker, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Nathan Weston Spaulding,	William James Gurnett,	Rollin Carolus Gaskill,
Walter Van Dyke,	James Dods,	William Ely Boone,
John Macklin Miner,	William Addison Walter,	James Johnson Porter,
Enoch Homer Pardee,	William Washing'n Fowler,	Jesse Walton.
John Barton Harden,		

MASTER MASONS :

Adams, John Smalley	Bouton, William Slauson	Chapman, Lemuel Gulliver
Allardt, George Frederick	Bradford, Alonzo Sylvester	Clinkingbeard, Kinsea Stone
Antisell, Thomas Murphy	Bradley, John Tilford	Cochran, Irad
Ayres, Charles Wesley	Brower, Angelo Bounarita	Collins, Albert William
Banks, Charles Wells	Bruce, Samuel James	Collins, David Edward
Batchelder, James	Burleson, Charles Myron	Collins, George Henry
Bartlett, Pliny	Burnham, Ozro Hill	Collins, John Stevenson
Bartling, William	Burpee, Joseph Solomon	Cook, John
Bechdel, Nelson Ashley	Burrell, Alfred William	Craib, William
Benton, John Elliott	Camron, William Walker	Craig, Hugh
Blethen, James Edward	Cassidy, John	Craven, Harry Smith
Bones, Samuel West	Chamberlain, Philo Bradford	Crawford, John William

Crellin, John	Huston, Robert Guthrie	Rector, Ludwell James
Cushing, John	Ingersoll, William Bowker	Reichling, Francis
Dalziel, James	Jewell, Martin Curtis	Remillard, Peter Nicholas
Dalziel, Robert	Johnson, Perry	Rice, Charles Hybolite
Davis, Charles Edmund	Jones, Charles	Rodolph, Francis Bequette
Davis, Edmund Smith	Jones, Charles Henry	Roeth, Henry Christian
Doe, Luke	Kellogg, Shel'n Ingalls, Jr.	Rollins, Holman Caleb
Doherty, John	Kercheval, John Hereford	Rosenberg, Nathan
Dornin, George Dally	Kipps, Alfred Kemble	Schneider, August John
Dusenbury, Myron Thomp'n	La Grange, Oscar Hugh	Sears, Joseph Raymond
Eadon, William Henry	Laidlaw, Walter	Sessions, Edward Cathcart
Eastland, Van Leer	Lathrop, Solomon	Shakespear, David
Eitel, Charles Henry	Lilliencrantz, August	Sherman, George Edward
Emery, Joseph Stickney	Little, James Robert	Shorey, Albert
Evans, Charles West	Loring, George York	Simpson, Robert Franklin
Everson, Wallace	McGillivray, Joseph	Skinner, Isaac Ash
Foulkes, James Franklin	McPherson, George Ferby	Smith, John Frederick
Fox, Charles Nelson	Meredith, Griffith	Stevens, Andrew Jackson
Francis, Samuel	Metcalf, George Dickson	Stilwell, Bishop Franklin
Fuller, Frederick Odiorne	Miller, Robert Baird	Taggart, Grantham Israel
Goddard, Stephen Henry	Miller, William Henry	Tibbals, John Sherman
Gordon, Jos. Smith Gilman	Miller, William Noble	Trodden, Wiley Henderson
Graham, William Morrow	Montanya, Mathew De La	Twombly, Charles Henry
Greenhood, Jacob	Muscat, Phillip William	Upton, Mylon William
Greenman, Harmon	Nelle, William	Vogt, David
Haines, Ellis Asbury	Noblett, Robert	Walker, Jonas Moulton
Hamilton, Laurentine	Odell, Charles Eugene	Walker, Lysander
Hamilton, William Thomas	Padrini, Cipriano	Walker, Wilber
Harmon, John Brown	Palmer, Cassius Clay	Wangerin, Joseph David
Harwood, William Douglass	Parkinson, William Henry	Ward, Robert
Harris, Edwin	Pasmore, Edward James	Watson, John Braddock
Hays, John Carpenter	Patterson, George	Watson, William Callaghan
Hays, Patrick	Perine, William Danforth	Webster, Edgar Jerome
Healy, Jesse	Pett, David	Wells, Moses Taggart
Herrick, Samuel Wain	Pierson, George	Wetmore, Edward Lewis
Hill, John	Pinkerton, Thomas Hamill	Wheeler, Osgood Church
Hoagland, William Cox	Potter, Edward Edmund	White, Sylvanus
Hoffman, Charles Frederic	Powers, Daniel Nicholas	Williams, Charles Spooner
Holland, Daniel Denny	Pratt, Daniel Webster	Williams, Robert Neal
Hoyt, Nathan Benedict	Railton, Edward Mills	Wilson, William
Hunt, George Henry	Ranlett, Horace Dodge	Wolf, John William—183.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Allen, Benjamin Budlong
Berry, Wm. Octavius Merrill

Collins, Albert Frank

Flint, Elijah Train—4.

RESTORED:

Goddard, Stephen Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bryant, Daniel Sharp
Hill, James Terrell
Hopkins, Caspar Thomas

Knowles, Calvin Call
Knowles, Samuel Edward

Moore, Armstrong Porter
Whedon, James Thomas—7.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Abbott, Henry	Koenig, Louis Arnold	Searing, William Smith
Cushing, Clinton	Leet, Samuel Thompson	Smith, William Henry
Dwinelle, John Whipple	Mather, Solon Henry	Webber, Mack
Goodrich, John Van Buren	Pinney, George M.	Westcott, Edward Willson
Howell, Peter Suthpen	Puett, James M.	Wharton, John Richard—16.
Kilbourn, Walter Loveland		

DIED:

Arnold, Thomas Jefferson	Rand, David Harraman	Van Wyck, John Charles—4.
Campbell, Morris S.		

LATROBE LODGE, No. 189.

Latrobe, El Dorado County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

William Woodward, <i>Master</i> ,	Hiram Emmet Barton, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Josiah Russell Barrett, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Woodward, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Emanuel Adams, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Thomas Porter, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Ernest Treuholtz, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Timothy Guy Barton, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Emory Watkins, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Heman Dany Barton, }
William Erwin Riebsam, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

William Erwin Riebsam,	Benjamin Norton Bugbey,	Calvin William Duden.
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MASTER MASONS:

Burris, James	Fleming, Thomas Robert	Miller, John Sanford
Clinch, Conrad	Kay, Samuel	Penter, George Washington
Dodson, Marcus Hulin	Miller, James Harrison	Showers, William—23.
Edwards, Charles Ward		

FELLOW CRAFT:

* Jewell, Abraham B.—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Hill, Arthur Edmund—1.

DIED:

Wilson, J. N. (E. A.)—1.

NORTHERN LIGHT LODGE, No. 190.

Millville, Shasta County.

Stated Meetings, second Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

James Fletcher Winsell, <i>Master</i> ,	James Levin Nichols, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Leonard Timothy Benton, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Neal Guptill, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Robert Williams, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Robert Boyes, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Henry Anklin, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Augustus Chatham, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Herman Frederick Ross, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thomas Clark Key, }
Daniel Thomas Shearin, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Rufus Franklin Martin, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Herman Frederick Ross,

John Paxton Webb,

James Levin Nichols.

MASTER MASONS:

Baker, William Hamilton	Lippoldt, Herman August	Smithson, Stenton
Brown, Joseph Calvin	Mitchell, Marshal Alex.	Smithson, James Stenton
Cutter, Henry Hill	Palmer, Frederick Zug	Stevenson, David Chambers
Davis, Marvin D.	Powers, Lewis	Thatcher, Ezekiel Thomas
Dunham, Joseph Albee	Randles, Joseph	Wagoner, Erastus
Dunning, Day Hix	Rawlings, Erastus Edward	Williams, Ashael Linn
Eldred, Stephen James	Reinike, Christopher	Williams, William Wallace
Green, Charles Henry	Reynolds, John Edward	Wimmer, James Moses
Houston, Thomas James	Sheridan, Geo. Washington	Wood, William Augustus
Hull, Sylvester	Shouse, Isaac	Woodmansee, Chas. Franklin
Huster, Louis Frederick	Simpson, Thomas Jefferson	Wright, Henry Hamilton
Johnson, Henry	Smith, Louis Clarence	—48.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Atkins, Quintus Narssius

Bass, Herbert

Wilkinson, Felix Grundy—3.

WITHDRAWN:

McCrary, James Franklin

Penland, George Henry—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Jackson, George Washington—1.

EXPELLED:

Flansburgh, Alonzo—1.

DIED:

Johnson, De Witt Clinton

Littrell, Eppa Gorden—2.

MARIN LODGE, No. 191.**San Rafael, Marin County.***Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Thomas Jefferson Bowers, <i>Master,</i>	Thomas Washington Parker, <i>Sen. Deacon,</i>
George Warren Davis, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Edward Wood, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Peter Kimball Austin, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Charles Edward Bartlett, <i>Marshal,</i>
Camille Grosjean, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Robert C. Moore, } <i>Stewards,</i>
James Peter Christiesen, <i>Secretary,</i>	Edward Nelson, }
George Washington Beatty, <i>Chaplain,</i>	John Bradford Bigelow, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:William N. Anderson,
James Monroe Waite,Charles Stevens,
Thomas Jefferson Bowers,

John Sims.

MASTER MASONS:

Augustine, Samuel Miller	Gardner, Edwin	Reynolds, John
Barnard, William Levi	Henderson, Frank William	Rice, Charles N.
Bidwell, Henry Edward	Houghton, Alfred Henry	Saunders, James
Bontempe, Guiseppe	Jacobs, Francis John	Schlosser, Henry
Bugbee, Joseph Henry	Kohman, Mauritz	Schroyer, Aaron
Bustin, John Peter	Lang, Robert	Shaver, Isaac
Claussen, P. Heinrich Cars'n	Layton, James Crozier	Smith, Peter
De Groot, William Henry	Leonard, Albert Edward	Staley, Albert Joseph
Dixheimer, John	Mullen, James	Theis, Henry
Estey, Charles Lowell	Olds, Nelson Horatio	Thomas, John William—48.
Fuller, Jessie Beach	Reed, John Joseph	

FELLOW CRAFT:

Partee, Benjamin Franklin—1.

RESTORED:

Rice, Charles N.—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Bonetti, Luca Guilde, Valentine—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Maguire, James Foster—1.

DIED:

Evans, William—1.

SANTA BARBARA LODGE, No. 192.

Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Rollin Dunshee, <i>Master</i> ,	William Henry Norway, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Henry Kelton, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Moat Molden Kilgore, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Michael Garrettson, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	George Newton Collins, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Eli Rundell, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Va Hart, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Edgar Luzern Paddock, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Frank Walker, }
Joseph Meroux, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Joseph Addison Rich,	John Peck Stearns,	Rollin Dunshee.
Eugene Fawcett,		

MASTER MASONS:

Barker, James Lawrence	Harmon, Silas Solon	Pettinger, John
Bates, Charles Bell	Horn, Andrew	Raffour, Louis
Boeseke, Albert	Hunt, Charles Clifford	Rynerson, Christ. Columbus
Bollinger, Francis	Hunt, Richard Orville	Stafford, Owen Andrews
Breitzman, Robert	Irwin, Isaac N.	Tebbetts, George Parish
Childs, George Edward	Kahn, Moise	Van Valkenburg, Edgar
Cook, Mortimer	Kimberly, Martin Morse	Way, William Alonzo
Cool, Peter Yawger	Linville, Hiram Hunter	Whitaker, David L.
Crane, Hezekiah Gamber	Mallorquin, Jose	Williams, Alfred Bascom
Daniels, Thomas P.	Ogan, John Higgason	Williams, James Orlando
Dibble, Carmi	Olmstead, Stephen Hart	Wilson, Albert Calhoun J.
Forbes, John Clarence	Ord, Robert Bent	Woods, Harloe Delay—50.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Freeman, Charles James—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Foster, Marion S.	Winchester, Robert Fulton	Weales, Thomas—4.
Lealand, George Walter		

WITHDRAWN:

Thompson, Frederick—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Porter, Arza—1.

DIED:

Hanford, Jesse—1.

FERNDALE LODGE, No. 193.

Ferndale, Humboldt County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Elbridge Chamberlin Damon, <i>Master</i> ,	Albion Gill, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Wm. Marion Richardson, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Thomas Roberts, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Sylvester Americus Ward, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Plumer Frederick Hart, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Jasper Mason, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	David Kenada Renfro,
Philip Seward Inskip, <i>Secretary</i> ,	David Richard Roberts,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
	John Russel King, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Knyphausen Geer,	John Dew Ferrill,	Green Grove Dudley.
Plumer Frederick Hart,		

MASTER MASONS:

Barber, Gardner Glark	Kemp, John Wellington	Pollard, John Thompson
Boynton, Frank Zoungless	Kenyon, Jacob Gardner	Robinson, Thomas Jefferson
Calkins, Josiah Arnold	Lanigan, Thomas Joseph	Rogers, James Davis
Carr, John	McConnell, John Taylor	Russ, Joseph
Cook, Charles Sage	McNett, Alexander	Samuels, William
Doe, Charles Albion	Merritt, Caleb Hill	Schumacher, Gustave Edw'd
Dunlap, David Anderson	Mills, Orrin	Stevens, Rufus Willard
Fulmore, Smith	Miner, Jacob	Sweet, George William
Godwin, Absalom	Morrison, Lafayette	Taylor, William
Hicks, Edgar Augustus	Morrison, Silas William	Weydick, Gerald
Hulburt, Nathaniel	Odell, Alonzo	Wooldridge, Truman Eugene
Hunter, Thomas	Patrick, Nehemiah	Wooldridge, Van Renslaer
Hunter, Walker		—51.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Rasmussen, Jacob—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Devinney, James Mark	Hurlburt, Willard	Price, Isaac—4.
Goff, James Henry		

WITHDRAWN:

Bailey, David Harrison	Davenport, Joseph A.	Stevens, John Wesley—4.
Barry, Charles		

EXPELLED:

Howard, James—1.

DIED:

Cassidy, Patrick—1.

MOUNTAIN VIEW LODGE, No. 194.

Mountain View, Santa Clara County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

George Washington Smith, <i>Master</i> ,	Gilbert Edward Shore, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Henry McCleary, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Milton Graham, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Dickason Martin, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Dale,
John Snyder, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Samuel Weilheimer,
William Austin Whitmire, <i>Secretary</i> ,	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Christian Mayers, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

George Washington Smith,

Gilbert Edward Shore.

MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, William Austin	King, Robert McGee	Sears, Edwin Bartlett
Apperson, Elbert Clark	Lapier, George Warren	Town, Peter
Gleason, George DeWitt	Loveland, Fremont	Young, Eleazer Johnson
Jacobson, Louis	Ogera, Michael	—21.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Foss, William Freeman Farrington—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Bullard, William—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Smith, Nathan Gilmore—1.

DIED:

Flanders, Orvis Cutler—1.

BUCKEYE LODGE, No. 195.**Winters, Yolo County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Micajah Oglesby Harling, <i>Master</i> ,	George Wesley Hill, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Chelton Goodin, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Jonah Porter Stuart, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Waller Guthrie, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Henry Abraham Hill, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Hiram Major Hoard, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Daniel Houston Waughtell, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Josiah Lauderdale Seawell, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Elisha Anderson Humphrey, }
Charles Henry Wolf, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Meredith Roper York,	Joseph Clarke Hulse,	Henry Abraham Hill,
Elbert Tadlock,	John Samuel Tutt,	Micajah Oglesby Harling.
Thomas Waller Guthrie,		

MASTER MASONS:

Bell, William Troup	Griffin, Joseph	Ray, Fielden
Blum, Simon	Hildebrand, Newton Frankn.	Rice, Andrew R.
Bray, Edward Gaines	Hincklay, Geo. Washington	Sackett, Buell R.
Brock, Tilmon Howard	Holcom, Wm. Denison	Seawell, John Henry
Brooks, Edward Roe	Howard, Edw'd Robertson	Seely, Mack Jay
Butler, Richard Blanton	Hunt, Franklin Monroe	Sims, William
Cain, John Fletcher	Ireland, Elias	Spencer, John Anderson
Campbell, John Calvin	Johnson, Henry Bonaparte	Stephens, Joseph Josiah
Canterberry, Law'e Frank'n	Keefe, Thomas	Tadlock, Relford General
Corbin, Newell	Larew, Peter	Terrill, John Roach
Dexter, Lorenzo	Larew, William Henry	Urban, George H.
Douglas, James Sterrett	Latham, Melanc'n Seymour	Whitney, Henry J.
Duncan, Toliver Asbury	Lowry, John William	Wolfskill, Edward
Emery, John	Marders, Ambrose Robert	Wolfskill, Sarshel Cooper
Fisher, Edward		—58.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Powell, Alexander Quaw.—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Barrett, John Riston

Howard, Stephen A.—2.

SAN SIMEON LODGE, No. 196.**Cambria, San Luis Obispo County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Orange, Spencer Palmer, <i>Master</i> ,	Ritner Dodson, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
George Mix Cole, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Oliver Perry McFadden, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Elias Nelson Conray, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Horace Granville White, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Elliot Marion Cofer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Robert Andrew Minor, }
George Stevens Davis, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Fellows Harriman, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Thaddeus Sherman,	John McCormick Whittaker,	James Milton Mannon.
Russell Parkhurst,		

MASTER MASONS:

Blunt, Levi	Eva, John	Lull, George Washington
Byers, Randolph	Fisher, Max	Muma, Benjamin Franklin
Campbell, James Day	Forrester, Peter Alonysius	Ogden, William
Cole, Edward	Frankl, Joseph	Oliver, Joseph Soares
Crawford, Daniel Peers	Hardie, Angus McPherson	Wright, Daniel Green—29.

FELLOW CRAFTS:

James, Washington Byer	James, Drury Woodson—2.
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ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Davidson, Stephen Morgan—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Maxwell, William Henry	Russell, Charles Jay—2.
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SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT:

Arbuckle, William Blair—1.

DIED:

Vanderhaven, William—1.

WILMINGTON LODGE, No. 198.**Wilmington, Los Angeles County.***Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Omri Bullis, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles George Keyes, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thomas Bishop Hayes, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Fraser, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Millen, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Herman Jacoby, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Edward Nathaniel McDonald, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Gabriel Allen, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Robert Boyle Warren, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Nathan Jacoby, }
Henry Clay Bailey, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Eldridge Edward Hewitt,	Nathaniel Andrews Narbonne,	Omri Bullis.
George Hinds,		

MASTER MASONS :

Adams, Frank Eury	McCrea, John	Smurr, John Randolph
Brown, William Thomas	McMillen, David	Weston, Benjamin Stone
Bruning, Henry Nicholas	McNaughton, John	Wetzel, Martin
Hopkins, Charles Albert	Monaghan, Francis	Wheeler, Stephen James
Lamoure, Cooper	Polhamus, Albert Alex'r	Wilson, William James—31.
Markle, Richard	Schweizer, Frederick	

WITHDRAWN :

Edelman, Abraham Wolf	Parthesius, Henry—2.
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HARTLEY LODGE, No. 199.

Lakeport, Lake County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

John William Mackall, <i>Master</i> ,	James Parrish, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John William Elliott, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Leeson Gaskill Simmons, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Cook DeSollar, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Woods Crawford, <i>Marshal</i> ,
James Wilson Everett, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Robert McCullough,
Henry Gustav Staab, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Hezekiah John Crumpton, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Barton Ogle, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	George Tucker, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Woods Crawford,	James Parrish,	Frank Downing Tunis,
Guy Ross,	David Verno Thompson,	Fielding Alexander Combs.
John Chas. Wesley Ingram,	John Robert Cook,	

MASTER MASONS :

Adams, Joseph Davis	Hayter, Thomas Fletcher	McLean, Daniel
Babbitt, Calvin Smith	Humphrey, Hiram Abiff	Morrisson, Thomas Cowen
Boone, Jesse Thomas	Jones, Thomas Jefferson	Oliver, Henry Alexander
Bundy, Thomas	Jones, William Wallace	Paul, Elzy Morgan
Burger, John Fleming	Kelley, Henry Clay	Purkerson, Lewis William
Carson, Lindsey	Kelsey, John	Rantz, William Doddridge
Charmak, Herman	Larsen, Christian Fred'k	Rice, William Isaac
Charmak, Louis	League, James N.	Roethel, Edward
Fraser, John K.	Levinson, Abram	Shirley, John Elliott
Gassman, George	Levy, Aaron	Sleeper, Moreau
Greene, William Woods	Mast, Charles Leisur	Snow, Harlow Dickenson
Greene, Willis Elihu	Mathews, Wright	Tallman, Rufus Calvin
Gwin, Washington	McClintock, Jos. Taurence	Wilson, Solomon C.—57.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Shirley, James William—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Phillips, James

Taylor, John Henry—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Witer, Dexter—1.

TRUCKEE LODGE, No. 200.

Truckee, Nevada County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Thomas Maria Bittancourt, <i>Master</i> ,	Michael Luxenburger, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
George Shaffer, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Wilson Shannon Dixon, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Hogan Johnson, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Josiah Champion, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Frank Rabel, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	George William Dunster, {
Joseph Marzen, Jr., <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Wellington Hoy, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
—————, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

James Henry Hoadley,	Edward John Brickell,	Joseph Marzen, Sr.,
Chas. Fayette McGlashen,	Aaron Davis Park,	Thomas Maria Bittancourt.

MASTER MASONS :

Bacon, Benjamin Franklin	Durno, Wyatt Collier	Morrison, William
Bailey, John Clifton	Ellen, Elle	Ogilvie, David*
Barten, Charles Henry	Frates, Frank	Parks, Davis Jehu
Bennett, Henry	Gaylord, Eben Hills	Payne, Jeremiah Newton
Bird, James	Giffen, George Washington	Peel, John James Lafayette
Boleding, Charles	Graham, Andrew Jackson	Rianda, Giulio
Brogan, Joseph Bernard	Grant, George Hugh	Richardson, Warren
Buckley, John Mason	Green, Charles A.	Richmond, Wm. Crawford
Burckhalter, Frederick	Hart, Henry Robert	Roberts, Hiram Whitehead
Champion, Francis	Hart, Robert Douglass	Shinn, William Joab
Clyde, Andrew	Hutchinson, John T.	Scribner, Samuel
Callen, Thomas	Hittenhouser, Louis	Stevens, Francis Parks
Davis, Jonathan	Jenkins, Samuel R.	Sterling, James
DeBernardi, Giulio	Jessett, William	Sturgeon, Cyrus Oliver
Doan, Latimer Emery	Leach, David Walter	Taylor, Charles E.
Dodd, George	Maier, Pius	Wickes, Alexander Mackey
Dunn, Henry George	Menk, Paul	Watson, William Myron—66.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Swain, Ellis Marian—1.

RESTORED:

Post, Theodore Moricio—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Adolph, Julius Jacques, Julien Oleson, Peter Post, Theodore Moricio—4.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Holden, Thomas Jefferson—1.

DIED:

Conniff, Thomas Henry—1.

SILVEYVILLE LODGE, No. 201.

Dixon, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

John Sweany, <i>Master</i> ,	Benjamin Franklin Kelly, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Geo. Churchill McKinley, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	William Killebrew, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Alexander Fraser, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Amiel Hockheimer, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Roland Ferguson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Orlando Lusk Bishop, {
William Augustus Dashiell, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Henry Jackson Ross, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Peter Gunn, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

William Henry Wells,
Amiel Hockheimer,

George Clinton McCray,

John Sweany.

MASTER MASONS:

Abbey, John Alexander
Agee, Christopher Colum's
Apperson, James Edwin
Baker, Roland Thomas
Baker, William
Blum, Jacob
Brown, Francis Perkins
Buchard, Andrew
Byrne, Daniel Dominick
Cole, John Henry
Curry, Montgomery Scott
Deck, Henry St. George
Edwards, Benjamin
Epeinger, Herrman
Ettlinger, Bernhard
Evans, George Hampton
Frahm, Claus
Garnet, James St. Clair

Gates, Thomas Milton
Goeffert, Henry
Gordon, Edward Ashby
Gregory, Thomas Meredith
Hanna, John Samuel
Hill, William Washington
Howard, David Jackson
Jenkins, Wm. Wadlington
Kelly, Thomas
Kirsch, John Philip
Longmire, Daniel
Luttges, Gustavus
Lyons, George Washington
Madden, John Rightmire
Mayne, William Thomas
McCune, Henry Ewalt
McPhagen, John William
Mefferd, Henry Alfred

Merryfield, Justice Chandler
Munsie, John David
Newman, Charles Henry
North, James Charles
Patterson, Robert
Pratt, Albert Harlow
Pritchard, Julian
Righter, Francis Marion
Russell, Francis Evia
Schnitzlein, Fred'k August
Steele, William
Summers, Andrew Good
Taylor, Hiram
Thompson, Jno. A. Campbell
Weill, Isidore
West, David Foster
Wolfskill, Milton
Wright, Oren—67.

DIED:

King, Daniel—1.

PENTALPHA LODGE, No. 202.

Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, third Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Thomas John Caystile, *Master*,
James Cuzner, *Senior Warden*,
Granville Quincy Stewart, *Jun. Warden*,
Leander Clement Goodwin, *Treasurer*,
Francis Asbury Gibson, *Secretary*,
Millard James Law, *Chaplain*,

Charles Lawrence Coon, *Senior Deacon*,
John Caleb Salisbury, *Junior Deacon*,
John Ozias Wheeler, *Marshal*,
Chauncey Walstein Gibson, } *Stewards*,
Clinton Briggs Ripley,
George Stephenson, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Leander Clement Goodwin, Charles Wilson Bush,
Frank Lecouvreur, John Duston Bicknell,
William Whipple Robinson, Thomas John Caystile,

Horatio Sutton Parcells,
Micajah David Johnson,
Winslow Simon Myers.

MASTER MASONS:

Adams, David Ezra
Anderson, John Calvin
Atwell, Thomas
Banbury, Jabez
Bassett, James Madison
Bailey, George
Beane, Charles Edwin

Bergk, Charles
Bethune, Joseph Daniel
Burbank, David
Campbell, Alonzo Melanc'n
Carter, Julius Munson
Chalfin, Abram Seth
Champion, James Doren

Chapman, William Smyth
Crawford, James Seth
Cunningham, Rob't Gilmore
Deming, Joseph Jefferson
Fluhr, Jacob
Gay, Leslie Freeman
Grymes, George Anderson

Haines, Rufus Rowe	Littlefield, Jonathan C.	Scott, William Henry
Hamilton, Albert Newell	Lockhart, Wilson	Seymour, John Hanford
Hancock, Thomas Didymus	Lucas, John Henry	Shorb, Andrew Stephen
Hayden, William Belemus	Macken, James William	Sippy, William
Heaver, William	Maguire, Charles Thomas	Smith, Arthur Lorenzo
Hellman, Herman Wolf	Martin, Julius Herbert	Smith, Henry Augustus
Hiller, Horace	Marxsen, Bonnevie Carl E.	Stanley, John Quincy Adams
Howe, Philip	McGuire, Lucius	Stassforth, Henry
Hubbell, Stephen Charles	McKee, James Harsha	Stoll, Simon
Hudson, Josiah Whitcomb	McLellan, George Frederic	Town, Robert Miller
Jacob, Seth Washington	Meyberg, Moritz	Van Nuys, Isaac Newton
Johnston, Jas. Harrison, Jr.	Meyer, Constant	Vignolo, Ambrogio
Jones, George Nathan	Page, Samuel Lester	White, Caleb Edwin
Kimball, Myron Holly	Peel, Bryant Larendo	White, Seth
Kysor, Ezra Franklin	Pleasance, George Higgans	Whiting, Billington Crum
Lankershim, James Boon	Polaski, Lewis	Williams, Charles Henry
Leake, Edward	Rankin, Robert	Willing, John Alexander
Leaming, Christopher	Reece, Oscar Madden	Wilson, Christopher North
Ledbetter, Myranda Harper	Reed, Richmond Case	Woodward, John Putnam
Lehman, Luis	Richardson, Newton Perry	Wright, John Gibson
Lembcke, Charles Ernest	Rinaldi, Carl Robert	Yunker, Maurice—104.
Lester, William George		

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Johnson, John Smith

Reid, Benjamin Franklin—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Barbier, Joseph Prudent

Dalton, Robert Hunter

Spencer, William

Bonesteel, Chas. Allen (E.A.)

Keel, Samuel Asa

Stanway, Thomas S.—7.

Coller, Eli Holman

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Stanard, Benjamin Asa—1.

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT:

Griffin, James Edwin, (a member of *New Boston Lodge*, No. 59, Illinois.)—1.

EXPELLED:

Cape, William—1.

DIED:

Fisher, Edward Emerson

Glover, Milton White

Wilson, Benjamin Davis—3.

CONFIDENCE LODGE, No. 203.

Castroville, Monterey County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Andrew Perrin Potter, *Master*,Norberto Tonzi, *Senior Deacon*,Absalom Luney Johnson, *Senior Warden*,Reuben Jeffrey, *Junior Deacon*,James Albert McDonald, *Junior Warden*,John Augustus Malloy, *Marshal*,William Armstrong Rogers, *Treasurer*,Alexander Raney, *Steward*,Charles Frederick McDonald, *Secretary*,John Frederick Blohm, *Tyler*.

Past Masters :

Theodore Thomas Tidball,

Andrew Perrin Potter.

MASTER MASONS :Faneuff, Edward Raphael
Keare, Henry Asher

Reaves, James Rice

Wollenberg, Louis—15.

WITHDRAWN :

Hall, Frank Dany—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Alderman, Eli Munson—1.

SALINAS LODGE, No. 204.**Salinas, Monterey County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**John King Alexander, *Master*,
Edwin Kirk Abbott, *Senior Warden*,
Powhatan Bowland Hunter, *Jun. Ward.*,
John Brewer Porter, *Treasurer*,
Herman Samuels, *Secretary*,Robt. Crampton McCroskey, *Sen. Deacon*,
Irving John Monroe, *Junior Deacon*,
James Elbert Graves, *Marshal*,
Levi Auker, }
John Markley, } *Stewards*,Willis William Joyce, *Tyler*.**Past Masters :**Carlisle Stewart Abbott,
Norman Chipman,William Victor McGarvey,
William Vanderhurst,

John King Alexander.

MASTER MASONS :Abbott, Alvin Bailly
Adams, Herbert Nathan
Allen, Nathaniel Lynch
Anderson, John
Archer, Samuel Milton
Ash, George Ody
Burbeck, William
Butler, Rufus Daniel
Cassiday, Samuel
Chamberlin, Ch. Grandison
Cheney, Moses Theodore
Cloud, Andrew Jackson
Colwell, Burnet Moore
Copley, Andrew Jackson
Dean, Silas Lucius
Doutrick, Frank
Duncan, JamesFenton, Edward
Franks, Christian
Harris, Jesse
Hill, William Jay
Hitchcock, Benjamin
Hoffman, Christian
Hoffman, Henry
Hudson, Harry
Jackson, Alexander Bell
Joy, Charles
Joy, John Green
Knowlton, Joseph, Jr.
Logwood, Charles Peyton
Logwood, Wm. Mayfield
Long, Joseph Johnson
Mauk, Frank EdwinMcKee, James
Morris, Joseph
Newlove, Joseph Harle
Porter, Robert Lindsay
Sherman, Lucius Smith
Smith, James Polk
Smith, Lovias
Snyder, Jacob
Swift, Elias John
Taft, William Henry
Thompson, Zachariah
Tynan, Michael
Ulmer, Charles Jenson
Webster, James Ashley
Winham, Wm. Pitt Leroy
Wright, Edgar Hyde—64.**ENTERED APPRENTICES :**

Hawkins, Harrison Mills

Wiedeman, Alfred—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Dockery, John—1.

NEWVILLE LODGE, No. 205.

Newville, Colusa County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Fountain Columbus Graves, <i>Master</i> ,	Daniel Mosier Hull, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Rufus Gustavus Burrows, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Fernando Cortez Graves, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
David Markham, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	George Washington Uhl,
Benjamin Franklin Foreman, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Benjamin Evans Atwood,
Sullivan Osborn, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Gilbert M. La Fayette Snelling, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Francis Houghton,

Stephen Smith Gilman.

MASTER MASONS :

Bates, James Worth	Hobson, Jesse Mason	Price, John Ashlock
Campbell, Thomas Jasper	Kirkpatrick, Thomas J.	Scribner, Butler Noles
Corrington, Stephen Munson	Malone, James	Smith, Andrew
Deering, John Walker	Miller, William Barton	Smith, John Galbraith
Dyer, Zimri Parker	Mitchell, David	Walker, John Frederick
Elkins, John M.	Murdock, Gawn W.	Williams, John—32.
Green, Wright Farmer	Nelson, Hugh	

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Johnson, John Wesley

Leonard, John—2.

RESTORED :

Monroe, William Leveridge—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Monroe, William Leveridge—1.

STANISLAUS LODGE, No. 206.

Modesto, Stanislaus County,

*Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

Adolphus Hewel, <i>Master</i> ,	James Burney, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Thompson Wilson Drullard, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Walter Benjamin Wood, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Lapsley Armstrong, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	William Grollman, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Lawson Burfoot Walthall, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Michael Brown,
Wm. Harrison Jack'n Robinson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Gilbert Paul Ostrom,
Septimus Allen Cleveland, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :Septimus Allen Cleveland,
William Grollman,Jesse James Chapman,
Elihu Burritt Beard,

George Buck.

MASTER MASONS :

Bently, Richard Harrison	Conneau, Frank Earnest	Finney, John Harvey
Briggs, James Russell	Crow, William Henry	Fraser, Alexander Simon
Broyles, Samuel Weaver	Daggett, John Randolph	Fulkerth, Asa Shin
Cameron, Geo. Washington	Eagleson, Erastus	Gaillet, Achille
Carpenter, John Hoskin	Elmore, Anderson Picorde	Gaillet, Louis Achille
Chase, Walter Smith	Elmore, Benjamin Thomas	Garrison, Daniel Marcus

Gilbert, Isaac	Meredith, John Wilson	Spencer, John Dillard
Haislip, Benjamin Franklin	Parks, Benjamin Franklin	Spicer, William Jourdan
Harp, Thomas David	Perley, George	Stone, Walter Scott
Harp, William Bohanan	Phillips, Robert	Toombs, Geo. Washington
Hays, John Henry	Rice, Thomas Elam Baker	Torrence, James Writchley
Hayter, Abram LaFayette	Richey, Micajah Macy	Van Mathenesse, Fr. Ant. G.
Hayter, John Alon	Rodgers, John	Visher, John
Horton, Dickinson Courtn'y	Ross, Henry Joseph	Wardrobe, Samuel Vlorious
Houston, William John	Saunders, Benjamin	Wood, Edward Powers
Jacobs, Henry	Sayre, James Henry	Wootten, Elias Hitchens
James, Henry George	Scruggs, Albea E.	Wright, Christo'r Columbus
Maddux, James Harvey		—66.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Purvis, Richard Benjamin—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Dale, William Copeland

Gatlin, Elijah Henry—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Pickworth, James Sinclair—1.

DIED:

Laird, John Wilson—1.

ANAHEIM LODGE, No. 207.

Anaheim, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

David Evey, <i>Master,</i>	Frederick William Athearn, <i>Sen. Deacon,</i>
Frederick Hartung, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Gabriel David Plato, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
David Edwin Miles, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	William M. McFadden, <i>Marshal,</i>
Morris Luis Goodman, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Frederick August Korn, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Alphonse Washington Steinhart, <i>Secretary,</i>	Frank Ey,
Ransom Daniel Curtis, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters:

Edward Evey,	Theodore Reiser,	Frederick William Athearn.
David Evey,		

MASTER MASONS:

Bacon, Jonathan Edward	Evers, Otto Theodore	Mendelson, Marks
Bailey, Mark Castleberry	Ginn, John Johnson	Mendelson, Morris A.
Blanken, Herman	Grimshaw, Thomas Spencer	Miles, Charles Sweeting
Clark, John Warren	Hardin, William Nelson	Ott, James Davidson
Clark, Pharez Allen	Hayward, Albert Bliss	Pullen, Eli Athen
Cook, Alonzo Gerry	Higgins, William Morris	Pursell, Thomas Morris
Crowther, William	Koll, Frederick William	Smith, Abel Guy
Darling, Truman Andrew	Lassell, Augustus Dimick	White, Robert Newton—38.
Dreyfus, Benjamin		

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Bennett, Albert John—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Gardiner, James Smith	Smith, William Jasper	Wright, Amos—4.
Metcalf, Alfred		

DIED:

Bingham, Joseph—1.

RIO VISTA LODGE, No. 208.

Rio Vista, Solano County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

James Johnson, <i>Master</i> ,	Anson William Elliott, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Edward Charles Dozier, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Wm. Burrows Pressley, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Edward Turner Smith, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Lyman Luther Palmer, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Andrew Hanson Peterson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Orvill Andrew Lindsay, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Charles Kraus, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Augustus Weckworth, }
Soren Peter Sorenson, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Charles Andrew Pine,	Abraham Farr Hitchcock,	Marcel Pietryzcki.
Josiah Pool,	Thomas Powell Emigh,	

MASTER MASONS:

Allison, Ozias Barber	Dozier, Linwood	Neilson, Hans
Brown, Byron Bradley	Hadley, James Trumbull	Pratt, Joseph Eustace
Butler, George Henry	Hadley, Samuel Trumbull	Ruble, Lewis Cass
Burgess, Louis de Ville	Hamilton, James	Schow, Neils Anderson
Church, Albert Colby	Hamilton, James Henry	Talbet, John
Currie, Alexander	Johnston, Simon	Vance, Hugh
Dozier, Alvin	Lewis, Charles Andrew	Wilcox, William—39.
Dozier, Leonard Franklin	Martin, James Hillis	

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Pratt, Charles—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Cathers, James Macken, Lewis—2.

DIED:

Wheeler, Mathew Mitchell—1.

KING DAVID'S LODGE, No. 209.

San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo County.

Stated Meetings, Wednesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Levi Rackliffe, <i>Master</i> ,	George Breck Staniford, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Phillip Francis Ready, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Andrew Williamson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Herman Bloom, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Williams Hays, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Henry Loobler, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Kaufman Schwartz, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Richard Milne Preston, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Charles Taubert, }
Frederick Ott, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Levi Rackliffe,

Michael Henderson.

MASTER MASONS:

Barger, Denel Edwin	Blackburn, James Hanson	Cass, James
Barron, William Taylor	Botton, Henry Leslie	Cerf, Ernest
Benrimo, Meir Almosnino	Brokenshire, Charles Rand	Cervantes, Appollon's Leon
Blackburn, Daniel Drew	Bramley, Chester Ruebe	Dillard, William Blucher

Flint, John William	Landeker, Lazare	Ortega, Jose del Carmen
Foreman, Sol'n Wolliston	Lasar, Emanuel	Palmer, Horatio Bradshaw
Gilbert, Mathias	Levy, Isaac Daniel	Pepperman, Max
Goldtree, Morris	Lincoln, Elijah Whiting	Ransom, John
Green, Kaufman	Lindenmayer, Julius	Schwartz, Isidor
Hazen, Jerome Bonaparte	Lovel, William Henry	Seeley, Timothy
Hollister, John Hubbard	McGinnis, William Taylor	Stanley, Henry Young
Hutchinson, Geo. Washingt'n	Miller, Samuel King	Strode, Leander
King, Nathan	Newsom, David Frank	Unger, Arnold
Krebs, Ernest	Noah, Meyer	Warden, Lew Moore—55.
Krebs, Julius		

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Corbit, John

Haley, William Berreman

Thompson, Reid—3.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Jeffreys, Walter Morgan

Thornton, Francis William

Whitman, John—3.

WITHDRAWN :

Woodcock, Frederick Schwartz—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Ely, David Hall

Patrick, Bryce

Rembaugh, Horatio Southgate

Fink, Charles

Pratt, Thomas George

Stringham, Edward Young—7.

Parker, Frederick Wardner,

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT :

Mallagh, David Patrick—1.

DIED:

Robinson, William

Witt, Newton Dennis—2.

FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 210.

San Jose, Santa Clara County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Andrew Jackson, *Master*,Lemuel Job Chipman, *Senior Deacon*,Daniel Jewett Porter, *Senior Warden*,Valentin Koch, *Junior Deacon*,Joseph Bradford Cox, *Junior Warden*,Sanfier Brockway Anderson, *Marshal*,William DeWitt Tisdale, *Treasurer*,Harvey Davis Burnett, } *Stewards*,Thomas S. Montgomery, *Secretary*,

James Gordon Arthur, }

William Larkin Woodrow, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Henry Howard Cook,

George May,

William Henry Hollis,

Samuel Alphonso Barker,

Bennett Pulverman,

Hardage Lane Andrews.

MASTER MASONS:

Ackerly, William Oliver

Bruch, Louis

Coykendall, Jonathan

Allen, Charles Herman

Buzza, John Trebilcock

Cozzens, Geo. Washington

Anderson, Chas. Wallace

Carling, Edward

Davis, Andrew Jackson

Arnold, Charles Henry

Castle, Alexander Wilson

Dresser, Thomas Woodbury

Barrows, George Samuel

Chambers, Seymour

Dunn, Daniel C.

Boynton, Byron Fossett

Clayton, Benjamin Franklin

Feldman, Alther Moses

Garrett, Shelden	May, Orange Scott	Potts, John Samuel
Hixon, George Clinton	McDougall, Giles Eggleston	Powell, David
Jordon, Julius	McKaig, Walter Wilbur	Powell, George William
Kennedy, James Grierson	McKee, Geo. Butterfield	Rice, Harvey Newton
Kennedy, William Charles	McNeil, Albert Beebe	Shoemaker, Frederick
Kingsbury, William Charles	Mitchell, Thomas Albert	Singletary, Emery Curtis
Ladd, Morris	Moyle, Isaiah	Toney, John Martin
Lenzen, Theodore	Northern, William Leander	Turner, Jared
Long, Peter	Osborne, William Masters	White, John Durkee
Lotz, Joseph Albert	Owsley, Henry Clay	Williams, Edward
Low, William	Pritchard, Edward	Williams, Thos. Northey—68.

WITHDRAWN:

Moorehead, John Milton	Ware, Walter Edward	White, William Harvey—3.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Dickson, Joseph Lane	Waugh, Jasper Dodridge	Winchell, Theo. Catlin—3.
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DIED :

Menefee, Joseph Jefferson—1.

SAN BENITO LODGE, No. 211.

Hollister, San Benito County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Andrew Snyder, <i>Master</i> ,	Francis A. Cuning, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Snibley, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Eppehimer, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Nathaniel Corwith Briggs, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Stilman Wells, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Judson Gerauld Hamilton, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Edwin Augustus Eaton, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Guilford Lee, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Kearns, }
William Clayton Asher, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Mark Pomeroy,	William Guilford Lee,	Andrew Snyder.
Robinson Rucklidge,		

MASTER MASONS :

Annis, Alexander Green	Estrada, Frederica	McPheeters, Wesley Stewart
Atkinson, James William	Fairchild, Elton Wylie	Mears, James
Baker, Reuben Joseph	Green, John Willis	Moore, Samuel
Baldwin, Thomas Larkin	Hardin, Amos Marshall	Nash, Orlando F.
Beatty, Timothy Newton	Harris, Heyler Beaumont	Nye, Jacob
Bowden, John Henry	Harrison, Edmund	Orbon, Julian Gonzales
Brauslauer, Bernard	Hayhoe, John	Osborn, Daniel Henry
Clay, Thomas William	Hunt, James Johnson	Patten, Remembrance L.
Coleman, Bernard	James, John Hodge	Peck, Charles
Cothran, Henry Woodward	Jeffries, Martin	Peck, Oscar Lane
Cowan, Samuel Finley	Lynch, William	Perry, Timothy Reed
Davenport, John William	Martin, Azariah	Phillips, William Patterson
Eardley, John Rowley	Matthews, John Hamilton	Pascoe, Thomas
Ellis, William Potts	McConnell, Geo. Montg'y	Recard, Alphonso
England, Harvey Penon	McPhail, Dan'l F. Havelock	Rosenburg, Marcus

Russell, John
Shackelford, Richard M.
Shaw, James Burns
Shore, Richard Elijah

Smith, Albert Laomi
Speegle, Andrew Jackson
Steinbeck, John Adolph
Tully, Edward Chaffin

Walberg, Lars Erick
White, William J.
Whiteside, Thomas Francis
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ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Gardner, Rhodes

Hicks, William

Wall, John Burgess—3.

WITHDRAWN :

Erlich, John

McDougal, Alexander Curry

Prior, John—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Ramsey, John Willson

Rounds, Henry Augustus—2.

DIED :

Garner, Richard Perry

McCray, Daniel

McGinerty, Benjamin—3.

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO LODGE, No. 212.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS :

Theodore Hanford Bloomer, *Master*,
Elias C. Hare, *Senior Warden*,
David Byron Todd, *Junior Warden*,
Henry Carl Birbe, *Treasurer*,
Cornelius Edward Dunshee, *Secretary*,

Charles Joseph Gillen, *Senior Deacon*,
Frederick Louis Williams, *Junior Deacon*,
Thomas Byron DeWitt, *Marshal*,
Henry John Ervin, } *Stewards*,
Nathaniel VanValer, }

Simon Israel, *Tyler*.

Past Masters :

Henry Fairfax Williams,
George Keep,

Francis Brooke Wilde,
Robert Price Kelley,

Francis Augustus Barrett,
William Anderson.

MASTER MASONS :

Allen, Albert Warren
Bayle, John
Burns, Joseph Andrew
Cooper, William Burnett
Dooley, James Joseph
Dreyer, Diederich
Edwards, Edward
Hannah, Thomas H.
Harrison, James
Henningsen, Peter

Herne, Henry Clay
Keller, David Conrad
Langrahr, Diederich
Leigh, Ernest Albert
Lewis, Thomas Benjamin
Litchfield, Charles Amieal
McIntyre, George
Meyer, John
Moffat, Henry

O'Brien, William
Onken, John William
Rines, James Pomeroy
Shell, John Benjamin
Stewart, George Columbus
Stewart, William Edwin
Stumpf, John
Tingley, Bedford Almer
Witte, Charles—45.

ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Crunett, Fred

Nonnenmann, Charles

Ommist, Adam—3.

WITHDRAWN :

Hare, Andrew Jackson

Hearty, James—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Smith, Joseph—1.

BODEGA LODGE, No. 213.**Bodega, Sonoma County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

James McCaughey, <i>Master,</i>	William Robinson, <i>Secretary,</i>
Leopold Solomon Goodman, <i>Sen. Warden,</i>	Nelson Reed Shaw, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
James Clark, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Hickman Estes, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
William Marion Doran, <i>Treasurer,</i>	William Caughey, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Nelson Reed Shaw,	James McCaughey.
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MASTER MASONS:

Dearborn, Moses Sweat	Joy, Benjamin	Robinson, David
Gilham, Wm. Washington	Robertson, Chris. Columbus	Wright, Chas. Theodore—14.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Lowry, Elgin—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Beatty, James	Carr, Daniel Jeffrey	Frazier, Wiley	Shaw, George P.—4.
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WITHDRAWN:

Beacom, Thomas	Heffron, Albert Hall	Tibbitts, Charles Edward
Brown, James Henry	Rien, Samuel	Wiltse, Benton R.—8.
Duncan, Sam'l Montg'y, Jr.	Roix, Charles Franklin	

DIED:

Sartori, Benedict—1.

SAN BUENAVENTURA LODGE, No. 214.**San Buenaventura, Ventura County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Jonathan Doan Hines, <i>Master,</i>	Robert Crittenden Carlton, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Marion Cannon, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Richard Cox, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
James Allen Day, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Lemuel Clark McKeeby, <i>Marshal,</i>
Milus Hervey Gay, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Alvin Billings Smith, <i>Stewards,</i>
LaFayette Findla Eastin, <i>Secretary,</i>	James Simeon Harkey, <i>Stewards,</i>
	Henry Spear, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Lemuel Clark McKeeby,	Jonathan Doan Hines,	Charles Henry Davis.
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MASTER MASONS:

Alderman, Joseph	Bartch, Frederick	Blanchard, Nathan Weston
Arnold, Cutler	Bartlett, Albert Griffith	Brooks, James Marion
Arundell, William Henry	Beckwith, Appleton Wells	Burrell, William Henry
Bard, Cephas Lyttle	Blackstock, Nehemiah	Bush, Henry Lauren
Bard, Thomas Robert	Blakeslee, George Andrew	Card, Henry Andrew

Cerf, Leon	Grimes, Brice	Roth, Joseph
Chaffee, Walter Scott	Higgins, Elijah Buell	Sheridan, John J.
Chillson, Lorenzo Dow	Holland, Jacob Headley	Sheridan, Solomon Neal
Chrisman, Gabriel Sprowler	Jones, Nephi Markland	Simpson, Volney Alex.
Chrisman, Gilpin Wallace	Kaiser, Joseph	Slinger, William
Clay, Henry	Knighten, William Amon	Stanchfield, Levi Gould
Clemmens, Andrew	Laurent, Martin Julius	Starr, Joseph Lee
DeNure, Delos DeWolf	Livingston, Robert George	Stone, John Richard
Duval, Eugene August	Marsh, Daniel Barton	Stow, John Talcott
Edwards, Evan Alfred	Miller, John Craig	Suhren, George Henry
Fales, Thomas	Pelin, San Bautiste	Surdam, Royes Gaylord
Fisher, Joseph	Pinkerton, John	Thompson, John Horatio
Flint, Henry Pinney	Quesnel, Jules Prosper	Todd, Theodore
Gilbert, Geo. Shoebridge, Jr.	Ransom, Erastus	Tompkins, John Given
Grant, Kenneth Peter	Robins, Joseph Brown	Warren, James Riley—72.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Hartman, Fridolin—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Higgins, Charles P.—1.

DIED:

Hickerson, Nimrod Helton—1.

OAK GROVE LODGE, No. 215.**Alameda, Alameda County.***Stated Meetings, second Thursday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Eliphalet Minor Smith, <i>Master,</i>	John Henry Eickhoff, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
James Millington, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	James Hayselden, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Joseph Lancaster, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Jackson Dever, <i>Marshal,</i>
Arthur Sanderson Barber, <i>Treasurer,</i>	George Benseman, { <i>Stewards,</i>
Sterling McLean, <i>Secretary,</i>	Alexander Innes, {
James McGowan, <i>Chaplain,</i>	Joseph Wood Mastick, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Eliphalet Minor Smith,

Robert McGoun.

MASTER MASONS:

Ball, Ambrose Everett	Ham, Charles Herbert	Kimball, Maranda
Boehmer, Fritz	Haralson, William Dunklin	Lewis, George Leonard
Brower, John Daniel	Hayselden, Thomas	Liese, Conrad
Chapman, Isaac Newton	Howe, Bainbridge	Magill, Robert Henry
Clifford, Joseph	Irwin, Harry Frost	Nobmann, John Henry
Green, Alonzo	Kaarsberg, Hans M'tz Hagen	Perkins, Franklin Lumnis
Hally, Frank	Keene, Edward Ballard	Weyburn, John Kay—34.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Schroeder, Adolph—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Biss, William Charles Hardenburgh, Isaac Huntington, Edward Bouverie—3.

DORIC LODGE, No. 216.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Myers, <i>Master</i> ,	John Matthew Merrill, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Lorenz Nickel, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Samuel Arnheim, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
John Charles Murphy, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Francis Quirk, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Samuel Sigmund Arnheim, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Denis Fay,
Louis Flatau, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Adolph Kronberg,
Phillip Riegelhaupt, (of Pacific Lodge, No. 136,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Samuel Sigmund Arnheim,	Gumpert Schwartz,	Louis Kaplan,
Louis Schwartz,	Charles James Hare,	Moritz Kalmuck.
Lonson Martin Manzer,		

MASTER MASONS :

Anderson, William	Greenzweig, George	Paton, George
Anderson, John Olof	Gustafson, Charles	Paul, Alvin Augustine
Andrews, Abraham	Harris, Samuel	Plato, David
Arnheim, Julius Samuel	Harris, William	Poehlman, William
Baer, Charles	Hennesy, Henry	Purser, James William
Bangs, Edward	Hill, Francis	Quint, Leander
Beffa, Angelo	Hunt, Geo. Edward Putney	Rader, Matthew George
Blair, Thomas Moore	Janjou, Eugene Aloysius	Roehrs, Carl And. William
Bolander, Henry Nicholas	Kaplan, Abraham	Saalburg, William
Bosch, Peter	Klopstock, Curtis	Salomon, Jacob
Brown, Henry	Kanacke, Frederick Frank	Samson, John Peter
Brugman, Martin	Landgreen, William	Schmolz, William
Callan, John	Lawson, Peter Walter	Schoenfeld, Louis Simon
Casey, Edward Warren	Leszynsky, Isidor	Schuck, Herman
Chase, Charles Metaphor	Leszynsky, Julius	Simonsson, Svante
Christiansen, John	Levy, Adolf	Smith, Christopher
Cohn, Jacob	Levy, Jacob	Sperling, Frank
Curlett, Wm. Frederick	Levy, Louis	Sperling, Morris
Dans, Israel	Levy, Salomon	Sullivan, William James
Denker, Nicholas Carl	Lynch, James Hart	Tracy, Theodore Fred.
Drucker, August	Magee, David B.	Traube, Hartwig
Ducasse, Peter Leon	Marks, Emil	Vincent, George Walker
Elias, Philip	McFarland, John Arthur F.	Warren, Charles Albert
Faylor, George Washington	Mitchell, Simeon Coffin	Wedekind, George Louis
Ferral, Robert	Nannestad, Henry Elias	Wilson, James
Gallup, James	O'Conner, Joseph	Zacharias, Lyon—94.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Anderson, Henry	Levy, Walter Heydenfelt	Rankin, George—3.
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RESTORED:

Cohen, Jacob S.—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Cohen, Jacob S.—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Hardy, William Jeduthen	Karm, Henrie	Mode, Louis—3.
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DIED:

Passman, David

Pierce, Peter—2.

MONTEREY LODGE, No. 217.**Monterey, Monterey County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Bradley Varnum Sargent, <i>Master</i> ,	David Fleming Little, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Henry Bryan, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Herman Julius Otto Prinz, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Henry Pyburn, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William Matticks Rogers Parker, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Honore Escolle, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Rice Hadsell, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
———, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Jonathan Wright, }
John William Miller, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Bradley Varnum Sargent,	James Bennett Smith.
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MASTER MASONS:

Bidache, Victor	Jonson, Robert	Toothaker, Luther Simmons
Burns, Edward	Josselyn, Edward Spencer	Varnum, Paschal
Geil, Samuel Franklin	LaRose, William Louis	Vercoe, James
Grimes, Edward	Logwood, Edw'd LaFayette	Wasson, Andrew
Harris, George Chase	Ougheltree, Andrew Jack'n	Webb, William Henry—28.
Ireland, Matthew Collins	Tarbett, Foster Berry	

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

McDonald, Phillip—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Corby, Peter Phillmore	Lambert, Thomas Grafton	Prefumo, Peter—4.
House, Edmond Shirley		

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Cooley, Frederick	Slayton, John Josiah	Wise, Edward Hale—4.
Reynolds, William Daniel		

DIED:

Manuel, Antoine—1.

PLEASANTON LODGE, No. 218.**Livermore, Alameda County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

James Beazell, <i>Master</i> ,	Wm. Creighton Massie, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Wm. Archibald McKee, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Robert Wesley Graham, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Nathaniel Breed Holmes, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Milton Paschal Harrison Love, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Joseph Harris, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Hiram Bailey, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Henry Wright, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Reuben Hunter, }
Jacob Franklin Meyers, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

James Beazell,	Milton Paschal Harrison Love,	Joseph Hardy Taylor.
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MASTER MASONS:

Acker, Saxton Seth	Campbell, Robert Benj.	Johnston, George
Alvres, Antonio Jacinto	Close, James Edward	Kapp, Frederick
Anspacher, Philip	Fassett, Francis Ronello	Mitchell, John Lawrence
Angelopolo, Peter Henry	Foscalina, John	Pratt, Charles Henry
Barthold, Adolph Gustav	Fuller, Frank Tucker	Schrader, Frederic August
Beck, John	Gerst, Garrison	Thom, Charles Jefferson
Bigbie, Rhodum Louis	Gillis, James	Wells, Thomas Dickenson
Black, Joseph French	Hadsell, George	Wynn, Watkin William—38.
Bowles, Jesse	Inman, Daniel	

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Bunnell, Albert	Neal, Joshua Ayers	Scarlet, John—3.
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WITHDRAWN:

Church, Augustus Melville	Dougherty, Charles Medley—2.
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SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Gunnell, John	Howard, William Harrison	Mathews, George Wm.—3.
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LOGGIA SPERANZA ITALIANA, No. 219.

San Francisco, San Francisco County.

Stated Meetings, first Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Carlo Balzarini, <i>Master</i> ,	Carlo Scalmanini, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Giuseppe Carlo Sala, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Pietro Gadina, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Antonio Daneri, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Giuseppe Bassi, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Natale Giamboni, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Gaudenzio Buzzini, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Benjamin Moron, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Domenico Brignone, }
Abram Isaac Miller, (of Mission Lodge, No. 169,) <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Guglielmo Berretta,	Natale Giamboni,	Alessandro Zabaldano.
Allesandro Luciano Barli,	Andrea Davini,	

MASTER MASONS:

Arata, Francesco	Ferrara, Salvatore	Pels, Eduardo
Beban, Rocco	Francescovich, Matteo	Percivale, Carlo
Beronio, Pietro	Galli, Carlo	Picinnini, Giuseppe
Bianchi, Pietro	Gherini, Amante	Prato, Antonio
Brizzolara, Luigi	Giamboni, Federico	Raffo, Antonio
Caglieri, Giorgio Giovanni	Gianettoni, Malachia	Ratto, Giovanni
Camilloni, Giuseppe	Giannini, Gioachino	Ribolli, Antonio
Costa, Michele	Giordano, Felice	Rittore, Antonio
Cuccurullo, Raffaele	Lucchetti, Francesco	Roccatagliata, Giovanni Bat.
Damonte, Antonio	Marchi, Giovanni	Sbarboro, Andrea
Dastugues, Gabriele	Molinari, Giuseppe Pietro	Solaro, Henry Jerome
Deluca, Giosualdo	Nigro, Fabrizio	Steffani, Camillo
Demartini, Giovanni	Paltenghi, Andrea	Tonini, Michele Gaudenzio
Demartini, Paolo	Pardini, Narciso	Valente, Luigi
Divecchio, Stefano	Pasquale, Benedetto	Vlaho, Giovanni—61.
Dominovich, Giovanni	Passalacqua, Benedetto	

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Costantino, Bernardo—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Chiesa, Giacomo Pietro—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Bacigalupi, Luigi

Capurro, Giovanni

Nardini, Antonio

Boicelli, Orazio

Giacomini, Giov'i Domenico

Stevenot, Emilio K.—6.

DOWNEY LODGE, No. 220.

Downey City, Los Angeles County,

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Joseph William Venable, *Master*,Austin Newell Gray, *Senior Deacon*,William Franklin Cooper, *Senior Warden*,Berthold Baruch, *Junior Deacon*,John Dawson Ardis, *Junior Warden*,William Williams Jones, *Marshal*,Samuel Kitchen Woodward, *Treasurer*,Thompson Davison Sackett, } *Stewards*,Marcus George Settle, *Secretary*,

Robert Donald Bedwell,

John Walker Buster, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Cyrus Curtis Cummings,

Thomas Jefferson Kerns,

Jacob Baruch.

Pettus Overton Clayton,

MASTER MASONS:

Borden, Archibald

Fuller, John

Newton, Willis

Carney, Isaac Thomas

Fulton, James Ewing

Orr, William Warren

Carter, Samuel

Goeddell, John

Rose, Amon

Caruthers, William

Greening, Earl Goodwin

Ryan, Andrew William

Cheney, Tilford Denton

Hay, James

Sands, Samuel Richard

Collins, John Patterson

Holdgate, Schofield

Sesler, Harry

Corum, Simeon Tevis

Isbell, Thomas

Smith, William Curtis

Crawford, Mathew Duke

Julian, Alfred Webb

Spencer, William

Davee, Zach Casey

Levy, Samuel

Spurlock, William Albert

Dolland, John

Livermore, Philarm'n Patten

Standefer, William Wiley

Dunlap, Albert Houston

Loew, Jacob

Stewart, James

Dunn, John Austin

McElrath, John

Thompson, Orange Decatur

Eliot, James Smith

Meek, Samuel Binks

Tucker, James Lewis

Fanning, Robert

Melton, William Jasper

Wardlow, David Settle—59.

Feeler, Simon

Miller, George Kay

WITHDRAWN:

Adams, Frank Eury

Burke, Samuel Wales

Robison, Wm. Marion (E. A.)—5.

Bradford, William

McCallum, Huysen F.

EXPELLED:

DIED :

Pinkham, Geo. Washington—1.

Ardis, John Columbus Houghton, Wm. Lake—2.

INYO LODGE, No. 221.

Independence, Inyo County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Henry Morse Isaacs, <i>Master</i> ,	Andrew Neel Bell, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Walker, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Helaire Philibert Cartier, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Alvah Russel Conklin, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Chas. Fred'k Stoutenborough, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Omai Isaac Mairs, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Shepherd, }
James Edwin Parker, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Jarius Davis Mairs, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Henry Morse Isaacs,	William Walker,	Andrew Neel Bell.
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MASTER MASONS:

Brady, James	Irwin, John Clemence	Upton, Samuel Berks
Bunker, Henry Chase	Love, Robert	Viel, John
Colleau, Louis	Middleton, Samuel Arthur	Walker, August
Connelly, Theophilus F. A.	Moore, William Lafayette	Westerveldt, John Ryar
Egbert, Henry Clarence	Piper, Noah Twidney	White, Charles Belden
Ford, Robert Wentworth	Shaw, Frank	White, John Burgess
Furbee, Thomas Jefferson	Shepherd, John	Yaney, Israel Putnam
Gill, George Monroe	Smith, James William	Zaun, Sebastian—36.
Harris, Isaac	Titchworth, Casper	

FELLOW CRAFTS :

Brady, George Washington	Childs, Hiram Little—2.
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ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Gregg, Stephen Gregg	Woolard, Robert Wallace—2.
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DIED :

Passmore, Thomas (F. C.)—1.

GRANITE LODGE, No. 222.

Rocklin, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

John Sweeney, <i>Master</i> ,	James Philo Burchard, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Ertle, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Lewis Curl, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Douglas Dunkan, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Nye Taylor, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Isidor Levison, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Calhoun Day, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Albert Henry Schuetze, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Wheeler Fippins, }
Benjamin Franklin Smith, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

John Thompson Kinkade,	Wm. Frederick Schuetze,	Henry Chittenden Curtis.
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MASTER MASONS:

Anderson, Nicholas	Lloyd, David	Rowland, George William
Clark, Wiley Benjamin	Marsh, James Harvey	Shott, John Jacob
Coleman, Timothy	McGinley, John	Smith, Louis Gailou
Connor, John Michael	Moore, Alfred Norris	Taylor, James Woodbury
Cranley, William	Muir, John Allen	Thomas, Henry James
Easterbrook, Judson Alonzo	Patrick, Charles B.	Thomas, Lee Dingus
Gray, George Addison	Perkins, William Dana	Trott, Charles Cornelius
Ketchum, Marvin	Rowe, Robert Mathew	

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FELLOW CRAFTS:

Purdy, Edwin

Roderick, Frank—2.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

WITHDRAWN:

Johnson, Levi Prosser, William J.—2.

Forsyth, Thomas—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Lindsay, Joseph Alexander

Loney, James—2.

BAKERSFIELD LODGE, No. 224.

Bakersfield, Kern County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Benjamin Brundage, <i>Master</i> ,	Alphonse Weill, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Albert Oscar Collins, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Robert Thomas Smith, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
James Porter Ownby, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Lewis Styles Rogers, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Jacob Weil, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Beneditto Ardizzi, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Philo Dennis Jewett, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Lycurgus Troy, }
Samuel Hamilton Anderson, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters:

Benjamin Brundage,

Oliver Tarbal Chubb.

MASTER MASONS:

Alexander, Siegfried	Judd, Stoel Morris	Nelson, Swan Peter
Amy, Victor	Lewis, Joshua Flood	Otis, George Edward
Beard, John	Lowe, Joseph Paxton	Prewett, James
Brower, Celsus	Malin, Isaac Buthe	Shakelford, Richard
Duke, George Allen	Maude, Albert Clement	Stine, Philip Alfred
Glenn, James Newton	May, Ruffin Colman	Tyler, Mathew Adams
Green, Edward	Miller, Christian	Wells, John Thomas
Jastro, Henry Alexander	Narboe, John	Whitman, Arthur Train—36.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Jewett, Solomon—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICES:

Bermudez, Alphonse Amade

Mann, Lafayette

Ranney, Royal John—3.

WITHDRAWN:

Burns, Robert—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

EXPELLED:

McClanahan, Perry Davis Silman, Lemuel Hampton—2. Jacoby, Morris, (E. A.)—1.

BROOKLYN LODGE, No. 225.**East Oakland, Alameda County.***Stated Meetings, first Tuesday in each month.***OFFICERS:**

Bezaleel Merritt Atchinson, <i>Master</i> ,	Jonathan Vinson Webster, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
George Meserve Walker, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Cobbledick, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Joseph Hunt, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Landfair, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Kennedy, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Johann H'y N. Tum Suden, <i>Steward</i> ,
James Alvan Webster, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William David Thomas, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

John Henry Sumner,	John Waterman Phillips,	Nicholas Patterson Perrine.
Jonathan Vinson Webster,		

MASTER MASONS:

Babcock, Geo. Washington	Hampel, Henry	Mason, William Cowan
Bangle, Edward	Holiday, John McHarg	Newsom, John J.
Cameron, Duncan	Hughes, John Charles	Newsom, Samuel
Case, Isham	Jordan, Joseph Whitehead	Pfenninger, Herman
Crandall, Thomas B. R.	Keller, John Frederick	Stetson, Charles Riley
Davies, Edward Evan	Larue, James	Swett, Asa Woodbury
Davis, Frederick W.	Lorber, Joseph	Watson, George Ward—35.
Fuller, Amos Leighton		

FELLOW CRAFT:

Conard, Willis Daniel—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Lufkin, Thomas H.—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Dawson, Thomas Madison

May, Richard—2.

HAYWARD LODGE, No. 226.**Half Moon Bay, San Mateo County.***Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Joseph B. Freitas, <i>Master</i> ,	Charles Henry Davids, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
George Duncan, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	William Nelson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Rufus Harvey Hatch, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	George Riley Borden, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Fernand Levy, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	James Hatch, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Joseph Levy, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Thomas Johnston, }
	Jacinto Lorenzo, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Henry Elford Lea,	Josiah Parker Ames,	James Witherspoon Bicknell.
Joseph B. Freitas,		

MASTER MASONS:

Bernard, Louis Bloumtrie	Garcia, Manuel Francis	Hartley, Griffith Price
Borden, Charles Wightman	Gilbert, Franklin Calvin	Husing, Rathye—22.
Campbell, Robert	Gordon, Alexander	

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Maynard, Almarien B.—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Johnston, John

Morrison, Walter Ferguson

Rosenbaum, Jacob—3.

DIED:

Davis, Joseph Andson—1.

CONTRA COSTA LODGE, No. 227.

Somersville, Contra Costa County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Mark Body, *Master*,
 John Thomas Cox, *Senior Warden*,
 Edward McLeod, *Junior Warden*,
 Ferdinand Gambs, *Treasurer*,
 Thomas Simon Brown, *Secretary*,

Robert Conner, *Senior Deacon*,
 John Patterson, *Junior Deacon*,
 James Haggart, } *Stewards*,
 David Paul Jones, }
 Philander Barrett Martin, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

John Franklin Deemer,
 James Rankin,

Thomas Simon Brown,

Samuel Brown.

MASTER MASONS:

Clare, Robert Maphfit
 Davis, Morgan
 Davis, William
 Harris, David Daniel
 Hughes, John Jones
 Johnson, John James

Jones, Lodwick
 Jones, William William
 Mason, John
 Miller, George Samuel
 Piercy, John Hay
 Rhine, Jacob

Richmond, George
 Riddock, Alexander
 Rodgers, Thomas
 Van Alvensleben, Bruno
 Williams, John Henry
 Woodruff, David Seymour
 —31.

WITHDRAWN:

Agnew, John—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Davis, Jacob D.
 Davis, John T.

Horswell, Frederick Jeffrey

Jones, David Humphrey—4.

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT:

Prutton, William Reese—1.

ATHENS LODGE, No. 228.

Davisville, Yolo County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Ward Spooner Williams, *Master*,
 Henry Hamel, *Senior Warden*,
 Henry Foster Johnson, *Junior Warden*,
 Elijah William Brown, *Treasurer*,
 Joseph Philliber, *Secretary*,

Simon Henry Lettner, *Senior Deacon*,
 Thomas Byron Pearce, *Junior Deacon*,
 Mathew Gardner, *Marshal*,
 Oluf Bernhard Oluffs, } *Stewards*,
 Fred'k Gustavus Crawford, }
 Theron Foster, *Tyler*.

Past Masters:

Edward Francis Bane,

Matthew Gardner,

Ward Spooner Williams.

MASTER MASONS:

Bixby, Edward Henry

Gordon, Melvin Barnes

Ludington, Gilbert Lewis

Bronson, Reuben

Hand, William Henry

Marden, William Harrison

Bullard, William Green

Hiller, John Alexander

Reed, Orange Dennis

Burke, John

Hurt, William Berry

Rowe, Jesse Gray

Craig, Frederick

Huy, John Wilson

Wilson, Frank Marion

Dresbach, William

Klays, Frederick

Weinberger, Marcus

Drummond, Lewis Craig

Leiter, Julius

Wire, Frank Benjamin—33.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Morgan, John Lewis—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Hunt, Henry Clay—1.

SOLANO LODGE, No. 229.**Vallejo, Solano County.***Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.***OFFICERS:**Frank Douglass Mead, *Master*,George Thompson, *Senior Deacon*,Orrin Hartwell Butler, *Senior Warden*,Alex. Bertsch Bertoscky, *Junior Deacon*,James Roney, *Junior Warden*,John Harris, *Marshal*,Ambrose Jones Plummer, *Treasurer*,

William Fraser,

George Cramer Demmon, *Secretary*,George Elvin Sides, } *Stewards*,John Thompson, *Tyler*.**Past Masters:**

Mattison Myers,

Frank Edward Brown,

John Farnham,

John Quincy Adams,

George Thompson,

Wm. Bremner Stephenson.

Frank Worthy Cushing,

MASTER MASONS:

Alden, Eugene Beauharnais

Higson, Frederick Delmer

Rigney, Edward Henry

Babbitt, John Henry

Hilliard, Daniel Marenus

Robinson, Jno. Buckingham

Butler, Ira Mortimer

Holtog, Jorgen Jacob

Roe, William Fletcher

Carter, William

Irving, Andrew Kerr

Rogers, David William

Clarke, William Henry

Jones, Thomas William

Sailor, John Henry

Cushman, George Perry

Kincaid, Lemuel Covell

Shields, Thomas

Dare, John Thomas

Laviere, Frank

Smith, John Daniel

Deming, John Francis

Lockwood, Wm. Harrison

Spencer, John Abram

Denio, Cyrenius Blackman

McAlister, Adam Armstrong

Starr, Edward Thompson

Dornin, William Henry

McCool, Daniel Miller

Street, Augustus Marlsburger

Drake, Franklin Jeremiah

McDonald, Edwin Augustus

Van Meter, John William

Duncan, John Kennedy

McKinnon, Alexander Ross

Webster, Henry John

Edgecumbe, Jos. Collins

Melven, Nathaniel

Wendell, Joseph Fairbanks

Farley, Dallas Jones

Morse, Charles Alonzo

Willats, Edward Albert

Frey, John

Munroe, George

Williams, Robert Adrian

Frisbie, Adelbert

Naylor, Henry

Winton, John Wilton

Grove, Charles

Payne, John Frank

Wood, George—69.

Hatheway, Alden Leonard

ENTERED APPRENTICES:**WITHDRAWN:**

Farley, Martin Brown

Woods, Samuel—2.

Russell, John—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Frisby, William Edward

Harding, Jeremiah—2.

NORTH BUTTE LODGE, No. 230.

Gridley, Butte County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Marcus James Bigelow, <i>Master</i> ,	Aaron Pugh, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Jacks, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Morgan Boyles, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Trotter Holliday, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Edward Nolen Stevenson, <i>Marshal</i> ,
William Dandridge Peck, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Sligar,
George Washington Riley, <i>Secretary</i> ,	John Cotterell Young,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Jacob Williams, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Mathias Leonard Tescher,	John M. Pugh,	Adam Hamilton Lamme.
Aaron Pugh,		

MASTER MASONS :

Babcock, William Lee	Harris, Joseph Thompson	Powell, William
Bayles, David	Hicks, John Leander	Rodgers, William Riley
Beall, John	Hogeboom, Nelson Wallace	Sala, Eli Henry
Davis, Samuel Joshua	Jones, Benjamin Cottle	Stafford, Joshua
Dodson, Benjamin Franklin	Joseph, Louis	Stone, Lewis Charles
Fagan, Edward	Klock, Elias Frederick	Wharton, Henry Coriolanus
Fowler, Sam'l Washington	Lapoint, Moses	Williston, Elijah William
Guidery, John	McMurtry, John Van Angle	—37.

FELLOW CRAFTS :

Blackford, Samuel Shannon	Stiles, Robert Noel—2.
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ENTERED APPRENTICES :

Cole, Brackett	Heininger, James	Onstott, William—5.
Evans, John A.	James, William	

WITHDRAWN :

Clanton, James Madison—1

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Hughes, Edward Peyton—1

COVELO LODGE, No. 231.

Covelo, Mendocino County.

Stated Meetings, Tuesday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Whitcombe Henley, <i>Master</i> ,	Benson Clarke Bellamy, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Pullen, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Henry Solon Lovell, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Patrick Ker Faulds, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Francis Marion Thompson, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Lemuel Davis Montague, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alexander Colier Perry,
John Paine Thomson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Randrup,
	} <i>Stewards</i> ,
	Robert Edwin Stephens, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

James Michael Ellis,	Walter Lee Bransford.
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MASTER MASONS :

Beanton, James Brown	Hanthorne, Townslin	McCoy, Charles
Brown, Charles Milton	Henley, Geo. Washington	Purcell, Felix
Chambers, John Karr	Hoffman, William Henry	Rea, Joseph Nelson
Cunningham, James Polk	Hornbrook, Sanders	Short, James Green
Gray, Andrew	Lowrey, David Hicks	Tuttle, Lorenzo Brady
Gunn, John Henry	Mathews, James Roberts	Updegraff, Jacob—32.
Handy, Philo		

WITHDRAWN:

Halloran, James

Patty, Levi Hartzell—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Lockhart, Samuel—1.

JANESVILLE LODGE, No. 232.

Janesville, Lassen County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Levi Newton Breed, <i>Master</i> ,	Jeremiah Leakey, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Jeremiah Bond, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Warren Decious, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
William Henry Clark, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Benj. Franklin Sheldon, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Anthony Otto, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Parks,
Stephen Abbott Doyle, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Nicholas Clark, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Abraham Gillette Moon,	Levi Newton Breed,	Hiram Winchell.
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MASTER MASONS :

Bangham, Geo. Kingsley	James, Preston	Santee, Milton
Bass, Richard Dudley	Leavitt, Benjamin Hanson	Sharp, James Porter
Boyd, George	McKissick, Jacob	Slackford, Edward Thomas
Dill, Andrew	Mulholland, Charles	Steinberger, James Milton
Doyle, John Williams	Pullin, Granville	Theodore, John
Epley, Thomas Henry	Parks, Elisha Cheesebro	White, Stephen McPherson
Fitch, John Edward		—31.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

McDermott, James—1.

CALISTOGA LODGE, No. 233.

Calistoga, Napa County.

Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

William Nelson Harley, <i>Master</i> ,	John Ripley Wright, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Abram Hoover, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Newton Conners, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Robert Hunter Safely, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Almanza Cheesebro, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Henry Getleson, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Jacob Bettinger, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
Frederick Augustus Freeman, <i>Secretary</i> ,	William Dows Smith, }
James Mitchell, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Clarence Abel Demmick, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Master:

John Ripley Wright.

MASTER MASONS:

Boyce, William Pritt	Griffin, Perry Lewis	Taylor, Frederick Augustus
Brown, Jacob Barry	Hopkins, Wm. H'y Harrison	Van Namee, Charles Theo.
Ewing, Erastus Taylor	Kerr, Michael Alexander	Williams, George Wesley
Fairfield, David	McAuley, Edward Lester	Willis, David Connor
Fern, Arthur	Noel, John Thomas	Woolley, Eliphas Burt
Fisher, William Frederick	Roberts, Robert W. E.	Wright, James California
Francis, James Harvey	Tallman, Hiram Cole	Young, Andrew Jackson

—33.

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Palmer, Augustus Cæsar

Sickler, Charles Henry—2.

WITHDRAWN:

Donnellan, Benj. Crockitt	Gulliver, George William	Schonewald, George—5.
Drysdale, Jas. Summerfield	Hopkins, Leonidas Hamlin	

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Towle, Thomas Sylvester—1.

HOPE LODGE, No. 234.**Beckworth, Plumas County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Sylvester Benton Hinds, <i>Master,</i>	Benj. Franklin Bobo, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
William Eugene McNeil, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Henry Pool Dedmon, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Jos. Bushnell Hathaway, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	William Reilley, <i>Marshal,</i>
John Logan Crow, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Sylvester Augustus Thomas, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Cassius Hale Brown, <i>Secretary,</i>	Allen Dedmon, }
Allen Trimble, <i>Chaplain,</i>	William Cromwell Bringham, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Sylvester Benton Hinds,	Flavius Jason Winchel,	William Elwell.
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MASTER MASONS:

Babcock, Charles Marsh	Donalds, James	Martin, Richard
Beach, Miller	Evans, James Lemuel	Scheeline, Simon
Berry, Doctor Champlain	Ford, William	Seltier, Claude Francois
Cook, George Edgar	Goble, James Edmond	Stiner, Henry
Cunningham, Geo. Henry	Jacquel, Julien	Torrey, Adelbert Earl—30.
Dedmon, John Washington		

WITHDRAWN:

Beard, Charles	Dedmon, Joseph Asberry	Dedmon, Seneca Sutton—3.
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SURPRISE VALLEY LODGE, No. 235.

Cedarville, Modoc County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

John Heath Bonner, <i>Master</i> ,	Wm. Harvey McCormick, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William T. Cressler, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Jacob Fister Bittner, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Warren Bibear Whitmore, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	William Henry Patterson, <i>Marshal</i> ,
George Wimer, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Jacob Clark,
Colin Anderson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Geo. Washington Raine,
	Corbon Ewell Grider, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Master :

John Heath Bonner.

MASTER MASONS :

Brown, William	Jacobs, Isaac Newton	Sawtell, Frederick Adolp's
Coleborne, George	Lee, Charles William	Sanborn, James Laforst
Ewing, Lorr McDonald	McClintock, Frank	Skillman, Isaac Hutchinson
Farmer, Stan'd McLerran	Merryfield, Henry Lyman	Smith, Francis Kasson
Freeland, Wm. Abraham	Minto, Robert Wield	Smith, Frederick Appleton
Hornback, James McIntire	Morrow, John William	Stevens, Ward Spooner
Hudspeth, William David	Russell, John Madison	Warren, George Stewart

—32.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Angle, William—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Dickinson, James Wilburn	Mark, Joseph	Rine, Nathaniel B.—5.
Laird, James Todd	McDaniels, John	

HILL'S FERRY LODGE, No. 236.

Hill's Ferry, Stanislaus County.

*Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

John Leander Crittenden, <i>Master</i> ,	Thomas Grayson Yancey, <i>Secretary</i> ,
Charles Gottholf Hubner, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Patrick Manning, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John DeHart, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Elisha Henry Robison, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Guy Kilburn, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Albert Josselyn Ford, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters :

Charles Parsons Harris,	Patrick Manning.
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MASTER MASONS :

Barker, John Henry	Edgecomb, Frederick	Swofford, Pressley,
Bennett, Masten Green	Fortune, James P.	Tournot, Peter
Bibby, Nicholas	Gorham, John James	Underwood, Lanson Michael
Bunker, Nathaniel Emmons	Grant, William Michael	Walden, Charles Francis
Chism, James Thomas	Noxon, Bartholomew Davis	Walters, James
Cullingford, Jno. Andrew A.	Rally, Francis William	Walters, Samuel Pitts
Dalby, Samuel Price	Rodden, William	Worthington, Lois Capp
Draper, Wilber Fisk	Sorrenson, Rasmus And'son	Yates, Albert Lansing—33.

GUADALUPE LODGE, No. 237.

Guadalupe, Santa Barbara County.

Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Jacob Joshua Eddleman, <i>Master</i> ,	Newton Holmes Rose, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
William Parker Kemp, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John William Hudson, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Jonas Wescoatt, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Henry James Laughlin, <i>Marshal</i> ,
John Dunbar, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Robert Abernethy,
William Wallace Ayres, <i>Secretary</i> ,	James Alexander Norriss, } <i>Stewards</i> .
William Alston Walker, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	John Fleck, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Jacob Joshua Eddleman,

Irving Nolan McGuire.

MASTER MASONS:

Abernethy, Wm. Alexander	Johnston, Hosea Holcom	Robbins, Martin Van Buren
Adam, William Laird	Jones, Jonathan Henry	Shutter, Frederick
Bloomer, Adrian	Kaiser, Lazarus Meyer	Smith, Emory Franklin
Braun, Robert	Leslie, Walter Guy	Smith, George Volney
Cash, Jerome	Lewty, David	Stephens, William Leslie
Dockery, John	Martin, Charles Wesley	Stillwell, William Wilson
Edgar, John	Miller, Jeremiah Morrow	St. Ores, Lewis
Field, Frederick Franklin	Nichols, George Burrett	Stowell, Edgar
Gormley, Thomas	Nicholson, Wilford Pratt	Stowell, Henry
Grant, John W.	Parsons, Jacob	Streeter, Charles Henry
Groover, John Franklin	Prell, John Gotlob	Thornburgh, Madison
Hall, Frank Dany	Radich, Mattio	Tunnell, John LaFayette
Jackson, William	Rice, John Henry	Wheelis, Isom—53.
Jamison, Tobias Belt		

FELLOW CRAFTS:

Henderson, John Alexander

McArdle, Patrick

Nance, Thomas Clayton—3.

WITHDRAWN:

Fuller, John

Schwartz, Isadore—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Abernethy, James

Norris, John Richard—2.

TYRE LODGE, No. 238.

Gold Run, Placer County.

Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Joel Atherton Stone, <i>Master</i> ,	William King White, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
John Young Thomas, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Joseph Rogers, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Henry Leonard Noyes, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	James Elliott Woodward, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Thornton King, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Jones,
Alexander Gibson Oliver, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Sylvester Doyle Moore, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
William Henry White, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Masters :

Alexander Gibson Oliver,

William King White,

John William Ritchie.

MASTER MASONS :

Chaney, George Merrill

Fox, Charles James

Oliver, William Gibson

Cook, William

Gilbert, Timothy Andrew

Stevens, John

Dahl, Hans Martin

Holmes, James

Taylor, John Bayard

Dixon, Joseph

Lovejoy, H'y Leavenworth

Whipple, Samuel Junior—26.

Drunzer, Peter

Moody, Jonathan Fletcher

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Noyes, Mark Fiske—1.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES :

Steinagel, Andrew Christian—1.

PESCADERO LODGE, No. 239.**Pescadero, San Mateo County.***Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**Richard John McNulty, *Master,*William Andrew Brown, *Senior Deacon,*William Henry Gardner, *Senior Warden,*Robert Allen Rawls, *Junior Deacon,*Jacob Taber Reed, *Junior Warden,*

Henry Clay Hart,

Henry Hillebrand, *Treasurer,*Timothy Elwood Roe, } *Stewards,*Charles William Swanton, *Secretary,*Charles Housefelth, *Tyler.***Past Masters :**

Christopher Columbus Coffin,

Henry Hillebrand,

Richard John McNulty.

MASTER MASONS :

Berry, Charles Dickey

Miramontez, Dolores

Thompson, H'y Bailey

Chandler, Lafayette

Templeton, Horatio Mansur

Voorhies, Daniel Goff—17.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Koster, Frederick—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Cathro, Alexander—1.

EQUALITY LODGE, No. 240.**Colusa, Colusa County,***Stated Meetings, Thursday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**Joseph Bailey Cooke, *Master,*Robert Augustus Barnett, *Senior Deacon,*John Lowry Jackson, *Senior Warden,*Ed'd DeClaud St. Maurice, *Junior Deacon,*Marco Bozzarris Totten, *Junior Warden,*

Dwight Crandall,

Winslow Simon Hosmer, *Treasurer,*Henry William Gurnsey, } *Stewards,*William Thomas Beville, *Secretary,*Harrison Alexander Roe, *Tyler.***Past Masters :**

Joseph Bailey Cooke,

William Day Dean.

MASTER MASONS:

Albery, Morgan	Graves, David Rice	Perigo, Oliver Elbridge
Bicknell, Thomas	Grover, Johnson	Richardson, Charles
Bishop, Samuel McCoppin	Hansen, Christian Wilhelm	Robinson, Jordon Sea
Brim, John Wiley	Heath, George	Robinson, William Lauren
Burtis, Stephen	Heuer, John Henry	Robison, Samuel Alex.
Cameron, Edward W.	Huber, George John	Roden, Felix Grundy
Cheney, John	Hunter, Enos Clarke	Simeral, Sanford William
Cohn, Gerson	Jonas, Edward Winslow	Stanton, Joseph Byron
DeJarnatt, John Burris	Jones, James Thaddeus	Swanc, Barney
Dunlap, Perley	Keser, Louis	Thompson, Milton James
Endicott, Woodford Wilson	McDow, Elvadis Berry	Tully, William Robert
Frazier, William	McDow, Thomas Benton	Wallis, Reeve Peck
French, Simon P.	McKeehan, Irenius Hinkel	Williams, John, William
Furth, Jacob	Millis, Mortimer	Wright, Lenord Robinson
Graham, Oscar	Pearson, Joseph H.	—55.

SANTA ANA LODGE, No. 241.

Santa Ana, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, Friday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

Milton John Bundy, <i>Master</i> ,	James Winfield Layman, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Peter Schneider, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Christop'r Columbus Edinger, <i>Jun. Deacon</i> ,
W. Birney Linn, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Hues Owen Parten, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
———, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Jacob Ross,
William Bowden, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Theodore Beed Hopkins, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Robert Burns Guthrie,	William Harbertt Titchenal.
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MASTER MASONS:

Benafield, Robert Wiley	Harmon, Henry Harrison	Rogers, Edwin Hawkin
Brown, Charles Wesley	Hewes, Jonathan A.	Rugar, E. V.
Chilton, Robert Francis	Hickey, Isaac	Samis, Daniel Harrison
Crowder, Robert Lafayette	Hodges, Henry Albert	Shrode, David King
Faulkner, Daniel	Humphreys, Charles Wm.	Slankard, Harrison
Fruit, James Henry	Linn, John	Vance, George Washington
Graham, William Wallace	Lockhart, Levi Jessup	Wall, William B.
Gregg, John Henry	Maxson, Benjamin Franklin	Wilhite, William Lane
Gregory, James R.	McTarnahan, Sam. Barring'n	Wilcox, Charles Wheaton
Harding, Isaac	Patterson, Levia Harden	—40.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Cummings, Daniel Ebenezer—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Anderson, Joseph Warren—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Cummins, Robert

Smith, Lawson Adams—2.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Hubbard, Walter Goldburn—1.

DIED:

Birch, Albert William—1.

MAGNOLIA LODGE, No. 242.**Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County.***Stated Meetings, third Friday in each month.***OFFICERS :**

Addison Hervey Orr, <i>Master,</i>	Henry Clifton, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Benj. Franklin Thomas, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	———, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
———, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Charles Jerome Paddock, <i>Marshal,</i>
Albert Hayman, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Bradshaw Stearns, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Ezra Benedict Strong, <i>Secretary,</i>	———, }
George Edward Childs, (of <i>Santa Barbara Lodge, No. 192,</i>) <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters :

Charles Jerome Paddock,	Robert Fletcher Stevens,	John Warren Heck.
Addison Hervey Orr,	Francis Ransom Drake,	

MASTER MASONS :

Babcock, Leonard	Hails, Richard	Owen, Benjamin Franklin
Belcher, Harry	Harris, Amos	Paddock, Charles Henry
Bristol, Henry	Hill, Jesse	Phillips, Archibald Wm.
Casebeer, Joseph Wilson	Hunter, John Milton	Purcell, Thomas Jefferson
Damm, Andrew	Lillard, Granville Hurley	Risdon, Augustus David
Ealand, Joseph	Marcy, Harvey Bradley	Saxton, Nathan Butler
Edwards, William Rose	Mix, James	Scott, James M.
Finch, William Wallace	Monroe, William D.	Smith, Rufus Dana
Gourley, Eliakim Tupper	Moore, Marquis Lafayette	Trout, Daniel Hawk
Gratiot, Charles Cronk	Moore, Peter Lewis	Williams, George Martin

—40.

FELLOW CRAFT :

Nichols, Walter Robert—1.

RESTORED :

Alrutz, John Felton, Oliver C.—2.

WITHDRAWN :

Alrutz, John	Knapp, George	Seavey, Webber Samuel
Felton, Oliver C.	Newman, Alexander	Wolf, Sigfried
Hannauer, Moses	Peer, John David	Wood, Franklin Augustus

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EXPELLED ;

Ketcham, Daniel H.—1.

EUCALYPTUS LODGE, No. 243.**Haywood, Alameda County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS :**

George Akerman Whidden, <i>Master,</i>	James Davis Austin, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
Amasa Marion Bullock, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Charles Prouse, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Alonzo Bradford, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	George Henry Horn, <i>Marshal,</i>
William Whidden, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Joseph Pimentel, } <i>Stewards,</i>
Joel Russell, <i>Secretary,</i>	Crayton Winton, }
Asa Collins, <i>Tyler.</i>	

Past Masters:

James Davis Austin, Adam Charles Bloomer, George Akerman Whidden.

MASTER MASONS:

Carr, John Kinsey, Solomon Rice, Harvey Wood—17.
Everett, Calvin Damon Landers, Henry

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Brown, Lewis Henry—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Rogers, Hiram Wills, John Tyzzer—2.

ALCATRAZ LODGE, No. 244.

Oakland, Alameda County.

Stated Meetings, first Monday in each month.

OFFICERS:

Charles Wesley Gilbert, <i>Master,</i>	Joseph Hollywood, <i>Senior Deacon,</i>
James Munn Young, <i>Senior Warden,</i>	Max Henry Fay, <i>Junior Deacon,</i>
Albert Atwater McKeen, <i>Junior Warden,</i>	Daniel Robertson, <i>Marshal,</i>
William Sayer Snook, <i>Treasurer,</i>	Archibald Campbell Marr, <i>{</i>
Jesse Milton McGuire, <i>Secretary,</i>	Daniel Briggs Oaks, <i>Stewards,</i>
Albert Gallatin Anthony, <i>Chaplain,</i>	James Louis Gearish, <i>Tyler.</i>

Past Masters:

Charles Henry Redington, William Bolton.

MASTER MASONS:

Antonelli, Vincenzie	Drake, George Washington	Lawlor, John Joseph
Ball, Charles Henry	De Golia, Darwin	Lloyd, Robert
Barnett, Rufus Putnam	Folger, James Athearn	Monnet, Louis
Bastian, Frederick	Hawkett, Arthur Welling'n	Partridge, Abram P.
Braun, Chas. Hy. Frederic	Hetherington, Jas. Walter	Roseberry, James
Buchanan, Alexander	Houghton, Frederick T.	Sartori, Augustus Paulo
Bullock, John Calvin	Isaacs, John Done	Taylor, Edward T.
Climo, Samuel	Kelley, Martin Michael	Taylor, Levi William
Crane, George Egar	Kerr, Lewis Cormick	Trefethen, Eugene Augustus
Cumberson, Wm. Morrel	Keyer, John	Wheeler, Peter
Cutting, James Ripley	Knudson, Andrew	Williams, Benj. Storrs Edg'n
Day, Samuel Marshal	Langford, Thomas	Wood, William Lyons—50.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Harlow, Edward—1.

WITHDRAWN:

Burroughs, Samuel Ellis McGregor, John Moon, John Holley—3.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

Lange, Frederick William—1.

LAUREL LODGE, No. 245.

Willows, Colusa County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

Lewis Leonard Bowers, <i>Master</i> ,	Moses Hochheimer, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Elias Mortimer Tyler, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	George Mellor, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Fleming McLean, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Henry Baker Elliott, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Samuel Culbertson Longmire, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph R. Troxell,
William Ferington Mason, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Alexan'r David McPherson, } <i>Stewards</i> ,
John Cartwright, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	George Thomas Vickery, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Master :

Lewis Leonard Bowers.

MASTER MASONS:

Bates, Zealous	Hicklin, George Thomas	McCoy, Charles John
Bodley, Aaron	Hoag, Ellis	Murdock, William Cooper
Caldwell, Eldridge Wilson	Hoag, George Winfield	Patten, John Armstead
Chase, Albert Benjamin	Johnson, James Otis	Robinson, Christ'er Maxwell
Duncan, Addison Eugene	Johnson, William	Rohrbach, Daniel Henry
Durham, William Anderson	Kelley, Chapel Monroe	Sheppard, Samuel Bounty
Garnett, Peter Richard	Marshall, Newton Benton	Williams, Elias Frederick
Gupton, Kendrick		—34.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Kelley, Bradford Howland—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Merideth, John Wilson—1.

POMONA LODGE, No. 246.

Pomona, Los Angeles County.

Stated Meetings, Monday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS :

William Thomas Martin, <i>Master</i> ,	Jacob Schlesinger, <i>Secretary</i> ,
Lyman Duren Connor, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Thomas Mercer, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
James Hughart Eagan, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	John Brown Parker, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Weile, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Whyte, <i>Steward</i> ,
Jans Jodokus Joseph Jester, <i>Tyler</i> .	

Past Master :

William Thomas Martin.

MASTER MASONS:

Bradley, George Y.	Congreve, John	Martin, William Claiborne
Bridger, Joseph	Farrington, George Ward	Rogers, Matthias Gossett
Burk, Allen Willard	Field, H. H.	Wright, John Clark
Caldwell, Andrew Bicton	Holladay, Thomas Draper	Wright, Josiah—21.

ENTERED APPRENTICE :

Akin, Lavern DeVillier—1.

WITHDRAWN :

Egan, George Cambell—1.

FRESNO LODGE, No. 247.

Fresno, Fresno County.

Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.

OFFICERS:

William Henry Ambrose Creed, <i>Master</i> ,	Claudius Galon Sayle, <i>Secretary</i> ,
Samuel Goldstein, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Allen Fletcher Hoffman, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Angus Marion Clark, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Adolph Kutner, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Bernhard, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alfred Ashbrook, <i>Marshal</i> ,
Russell Harris Fleming, <i>Tyler</i> .	

MASTER MASONS:

Bachman, Nathaniel L.	Edwards, David Franklin	Putnam, Orville Seth
Byington, Ira Weeks	Ferguson, John William	Rowell, George Barney
Byrd, John H.	Kramer, Frederick	Russell, Eli Shugart
Collins, James Darwin	Levi, Herman	Tambs, Arthur
Dennett, William Bibb	Miller, William Lafayette	Trueworthy, Henry Edward
Donahoo, Michael Jefferson	Pemberton, John Thomas	—26.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Phillips, William Walker—1.

ALTURAS LODGE, No. 248.

Alturas, Modoc County.

Stated Meetings, first Saturday in each month.

OFFICERS:

George Horace Knight, <i>Master</i> ,	Nathaniel B. Rine, <i>Secretary</i> ,
Wm. Harrison Bowman, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	James Todd Laird, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
———, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	William James Combs, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
George Osborn McKay, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Oliver D. Weller, <i>Tyler</i> .

MASTER MASONS:

Gary, William West	Mills, David Tinsly	Pierce, John Milton
Mark, Joseph	Noble, Emery H.	Wells, Charles Washington
McDaniel, John	Pendleton, Thomas Henry	—15.

WITHDRAWN:

Beecher, James Harvey	Blaske, Albert	Henderson, George Sharp—3.
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DIED:

Stone, Joseph Nathan—1.

GREENVILLE LODGE, No. 249.**Greenville, Plumas County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next succeeding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Alexander Thom, <i>Master</i> ,	Alexander Grant, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Robert William Young, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	John Addison Ketchum, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Darius Mead Dupray, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	George Standart, <i>Marshal</i> ,
George Proctor, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Alexander McRae,
Theo. Frelinghuysen Emmons, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Hamil'n Comfort Whitney,
André Chappuis, <i>Tyler</i> .	

} *Stewards*,**Past Masters:**

Alexander Thom,

James Henry Whitlock.

MASTER MASONS:

Drysdale, James Sumner	Lee, Seth Johnson	Murray, John R.
Gulliver, George William	Louander, Henry	Pierce, George Marston
Harland, Henry Lumley	Marcy, Geo. Washington	Rowe, John
Hathaway, Hiram Jackson	McGill, Robert Leslie	Swan, Amos—24.

ADIN LODGE, No. 250.**Adin, Modoc County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

Leonidas Hamlin Hopkins, <i>Master</i> ,	James Harvey Beecher, <i>Secretary</i> ,
George Sharp Henderson, <i>Sen. Warden</i> ,	Benjamin Crockett Donnellan, <i>Sen. Deacon</i> ,
Elisha Parker Grubbs, <i>Junior Warden</i> ,	Millard Lovejoy Webber, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Albert Blaske, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Joseph Richardson, <i>Tyler</i> .

Past Masters:

Leonidas Hamlin Hopkins,

Elisha Parker Grubbs.

MASTER MASONS:

Barrett, John Riston	Geller, Solomon	McCrory, James Franklin
Decker, George	Jones, Napoleon Bonaparte	Reid, John Marshal—14.

BROTHERHOOD LODGE, No. 251.**Duncan's Mills, Sonoma County.***Stated Meetings, Saturday of or next preceding Full Moon.***OFFICERS:**

John Orr, <i>Master</i> ,	Sam'l Montgomery Duncan, Jr., <i>Secretary</i> ,
Benton R. Wiltse, <i>Senior Warden</i> ,	Albert Hall Heffron, <i>Senior Deacon</i> ,
Charles Edward Tibbetts, <i>Jun. Warden</i> ,	Thomas Beacom, <i>Junior Deacon</i> ,
Samuel Rien, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Charles Franklin Roix, <i>Tyler</i> .

MASTER MASONS:

Ingram, Silas Derius

Patterson, Azel Simmons

Sheridan, James—11.

FELLOW CRAFT:

Sandmeyr, Mathies—1.

ENTERED APPRENTICE:

Venelstine, William David Wilson—1.

BODIE LODGE, U. D.**Bodie, Mono County.***Stated Meetings, third Saturday in each month.***OFFICERS:**William Irwin, *Master*,William Gill, *Senior Deacon*,Samuel Benjamin Ferguson, *Sen. Warden*, James Morris Dawley, *Junior Deacon*,Frederick Kerlin Bechtel, *Junior Warden*, John Alexander Caldwell, } *Stewards*,William Augustus Atlee, *Treasurer*,

William Hayden Silvers,

Frank Owen, *Secretary*,Robert McClelland Forrest, *Tyler*.**MASTER MASONS:**

Doliff, Almon Austin

Gilbert, Josiah

Jackson, Emanuel—13.

EXPULSIONS, SUSPENSIONS, AND RESTORATIONS.

EXPULLED.

<i>California</i>	Lodge, No.	1,...	ELI COOK,.....	Oct.	3, 1878.
<i>Hawaiian</i>	" "	21,...	ROBERT MORE, ...	May	6, 1878.
<i>Mount Moriah</i>	" "	44,...	CHARLES LOUIS WIGGIN,.....	Sept.	4, 1878.
<i>Pajaro</i>	" "	110,...	NORMAN RICHARD GRISWOLD, ...	April	13, 1878.
<i>Violet,</i>	" "	133,...	JOHN JAY LAWYER,.....	Aug.	9, 1878.
<i>Excelsior</i>	" "	166,...	WILLIAM CHARLES ASHTON,.....	May	1, 1878.
<i>Aztlán</i>	" "	177,...	WILLIAM PARTRIDGE,.....	July	27, 1878.
<i>Phoenix,</i>	" "	178, ..	ISAAC HERSHEL LEVY	July	1, 1878.
<i>Evening Star</i>	" "	186, ..	ELISHA HENRY HALL,.....	April	27, 1878.
<i>*Oakland</i>	" "	188,...	GEORGE MILLER PINNEY,.....	Oct.	9, 1878.
<i>Northern Light</i>	" "	190, ..	ALONZO FLANSBURGH,.....	June	24, 1878.
<i>Bakersfield</i>	" "	224,...	MORRIS JACOBY, (E. A.).....	Feb.	15, 1878.
<i>Magnolia</i>	" "	242,...	DANIEL H. KETCHAM,.....	June	21, 1878.

SUSPENDED FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT.

<i>Santa Clara</i>	Lodge, No.	34,...	SAMUEL WILLIAM JOHNSON,.....	Sept.	7, 1878.
† <i>Pacific</i>	" "	136,...	JACOB DEUTSCH,.....	Oct.	9, 1878.
<i>Drytown</i>	" "	174,...	ROBERT MCCALLUM GILMORE, ...	July	10, 1878.
† <i>Petalpha</i>	" "	202,...	JAMES EDWIN GRIFFIN,.....	July	15, 1878.
<i>King David's</i>	" "	209,...	DAVID PATRICK MALLAGH,.....	July	10, 1878.
<i>Contra Costa</i>	" "	227,...	WILLIAM REESE PRUTTON,.....	May	14, 1878.

RESTORED.

BY LODGES AFTER SUSPENSION FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT.

<i>Forbestown</i>	Lodge, No.	50,...	HARRY WESTMORELAND WILSON,...	Feb.	16, 1878.
<i>Antioch</i>	" "	175, ..	WATKIN PROSSER,.....	Feb.	23, 1878.
<i>Evening Star,</i>	" "	186,...	JAMES HARPER VOGAN,.....	Mar.	23, 1878.

BY THE GRAND LODGE AFTER SUSPENSION FOR UNMASONIC CONDUCT.

<i>Tehama</i>	Lodge, No.	3,.....	GEORGE W. PAGET,.....	Oct.	12, 1878.
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BY THE GRAND LODGE AFTER EXPULSION.

<i>Inyo</i>	Lodge, No.	221,.....	WILLIAM HENRY SAVAGE,.....	Oct.	9, 1878.
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*Acquitted by Lodge, February 2d, 1878, and expelled by Grand Lodge at date above given.

†Reprimanded by Lodge, Sept. 3d, 1878, and suspended by Grand Lodge at date above given.

‡A member of New Boston Lodge, No. 59, New Boston, Illinois.

A non-affiliated Mason suspended by Tehama Lodge, No. 3, in 1871.

LIST OF THE SUBORDINATE LODGES.

With a Summary of their Reports for the Masonic Year ending July 31, A. L. 5878.

NAMES OF LODGES.	PLACE OF LOCATION.		DATE WHEN CHARTER WAS ORDERED.	Fee for degs.	Fee for aff'n.	Annual dues	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Susp. for non- pay't of dues.	Susp. for un- mas'nic cond.	Expelled.	Died.	Rejected.	Ent. App's.	Fell. Crafts.	M. Masons.
	TOWN.	COUNTY.																		
1 CALIFORNIA,.....	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,...	April 19, 1850.	100	50	12	1	2	2	2	2	16	1	1	1	11	2	...	...	345
2 WESTERN STAR,.....	Shasta,.....	Shasta,.....	" "	50	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	62
3 TENHAMA,.....	Sacramento,...	Sacramento,...	" "	75	5	6	4	4	4	4	4	1	2	1	3	3	...	...	1	111
* JENNINGS,.....	Sacramento,...	Sacramento,...	" "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4 BENICIA,.....	Solano,.....	Solano,.....	" "	50	6	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	49
* SUTTER,.....	Sacramento,...	Sacramento,...	May 7, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5 TUOLUMNE,.....	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,...	Nov. 27, "	50	2	6	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	88
6 CORINTHIAN,.....	Tuolumne,.....	Tuolumne,.....	" "	75	2	6	...	...	...	...	1	6	7	1	1	1	1	...	...	103
7 SAN JOSE,.....	Yuba,.....	Yuba,.....	" "	50	9	1	2	2	2	5	1	6	10	1	1	4	...	...	...	162
* WILLAMETTE,.....	Santa Clara,...	Santa Clara,...	" "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8 YOUNT,.....	Oregon Territory,	Oregon Territory,	" "	50	6	1	1	1	1	7	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	4	...	85
9 NEVADA,.....	Napa,.....	Napa,.....	May 6, 1851.	50	...	...	2	2	2	3	1	3	...	...	...	3	...	2	1	113
10 TEMPLE,.....	Nevada,.....	Nevada,.....	" "	75	13	6	...	...	...	1	3	3	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	34
* LA FAYETTE,.....	Sonoma,.....	Sonoma,.....	" "	50	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
11 EUREKA,.....	Oregon Territory,	Oregon Territory,	" 9, "	50	...	...	6	3	3	2	2	5	3	...	...	...	...	1	1	45
12 PARFAITE UNION,.....	Auburn,.....	Auburn,.....	Nov. 7, "	100	5	12	4	4	4	7	1	4	8	...	...	3	1	1	...	106
13 MOUNTAIN SHADE,.....	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,...	May 5, 1852.	60	12	2	3	3	3	1	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	46
14 SAN JOAQUIN,.....	Downville,...	Downville,...	" "	50	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	64
15 WASHINGTON,.....	Stockton,.....	Stockton,.....	" "	75	1	9	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	66
16 HAWAIIAN,.....	Sacramento,...	Sacramento,...	" "	50	10	12	4	3	1	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	3	1	2	70
17 OCCIDENTAL,.....	Honolulu,.....	Honolulu,.....	" "	100	25	15	3	3	3	3	2	1	13	...	...	10	3	2	...	228
* MADISON,.....	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,...	May 5, 1853.	78	12	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	6	...	...	4	6	...	...	136
19 MARIPOSA,.....	Grass Valley,...	Grass Valley,...	" "	50	5	12	8	7	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	4	42
20 GEORGETOWN,.....	Mariposa,.....	Mariposa,.....	" "	53	6	2	2	2	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	48
21 EL DORADO,.....	Georgetown,...	Georgetown,...	" "	55	5	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	62
22 TRINITY,.....	Placerville,...	Placerville,...	" 6, "	50	1	6	7	6	5	3	...	1	4	...	...	2	...	1	1	70
23 COLUMBIA,.....	Weaverville,...	Weaverville,...	" 5, "	50	3	5	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	41
* DIAMOND,.....	Trinity,.....	Trinity,.....	" "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Columbia,.....	Columbia,.....	" "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Diamond Springs,...	Diamond Springs,...	" "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

NOTE. Those Lodges in the present list marked thus * have surrendered their charters — those marked thus † have had their charters revoked — those marked thus ‡ are now under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Oregon — those marked thus § are now under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Nevada — and those marked thus || have consolidated as follows : *Marysville*, No. 9, and *Corinthian*, No. 69, under the designation of *Corinthian*, No. 9 ; *Indian Diggings*, No. 85, and *Saint Mark's*, No. 115, under the designation of *Saint Mark's*, No. 85 ; *Siskiyou*, No. 105, and *Saint John's*, No. 87, under the designation of *Saint John's*, No. 87 ; and *Mount Jefferson*, No. 107, and *Tuolumne*, No. 8, — *ABELL, Gr. Sec.*

List of the Subordinate Lodges, etc. — Continued.

NAMES OF LODGES.	PLACE OF LOCATION.		DATE WHEN CHARTER WAS ORDERED.	Fee for deg's	Fee for aff'n.	Annual dues	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Susp. for non- pay't of dues.	Susp. for un- mas. second.	Expelled.	Died.	Rejected.	Ent. App's.	Fell. Crafts.	M. Masons.
	TOWN.	COUNTY.																		
55 ENTERPRISE,.....	Yuba City,.....	Sutter,.....	May 2, 1855.	50	5	6	2	3	3	3	1	1	1	...	...	2	1	8	2	57
56 NEBRASKA,.....	Michigan Bar,....	Sacramento,....	" "	50	5	12	3	3	3	...	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	1	...	24
* E. K. KANE,.....	Nevada,.....	Nevada,.....	" "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
** TYRO,.....	Drytown,.....	Amador,.....	" "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
* WISCONSIN HILL,...	Wisconsin Hill,...	Placer,.....	" 3, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
* MOUNTAIN FOREST,...	Eureka North,...	Sierra,.....	" 2, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
57 BEAR MOUNTAIN,...	Angel's,.....	Calaveras,...	" "	50	3	6	1	2	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
58 PETALUMA,.....	Petaluma,.....	Sonoma,.....	" "	50	5	6	11	13	13	8	...	1	4	...	1	...	...	...	1	88
59 CALAVERAS,.....	San Andreas,....	Calaveras,...	" 4, "	50	...	6	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
60 HUMBOLDT,.....	Eureka,.....	Humboldt,...	July 1, 1856.	50	5	12	3	3	3	6	...	1	1	...	1	...	1	2	1	80
61 IONE,.....	Ione City,.....	Amador,.....	May 8, "	50	5	6	2	3	2	1	...	2	2	...	...	...	1	1	1	53
62 YOLO,.....	Cacheville,....	Yolo,.....	" "	50	...	6	3	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	39
* MOUNTAIN,.....	Don Pedro's Bar,...	Tuolumne,...	" "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
63 RISING STAR,.....	Forest Hill,....	Placer,.....	" "	50	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	1	...	...	42
64 VESPER,.....	Red Bluff,.....	Tehama,....	" 9, "	60	5	12	6	7	7	...	...	1	12	...	1	...	...	1	74	
65 SAINT MARK'S,.....	Oleta,.....	Amador,....	" 8, "	60	5	12	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	
66 SAINT LOUIS,.....	St. Louis,.....	Sierra,.....	" "	50	5	6	1	1	1	1	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	50	
67 NAVAL,.....	Vallejo,.....	Solano,....	" "	50	5	6	1	2	2	...	...	4	3	...	2	1	3	...	101	
68 QUITMAN,.....	Moore's Flat,....	Nevada,....	" "	75	...	12	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	37	
69 ROSE'S BAR,.....	Smartsville,....	Yuba,.....	" "	53	5	12	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	
* POLAR STAR,.....	Poor Man's Creek,...	Plumas,....	" "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
70 NORTH STAR,.....	Fort Jones,....	Siskiyou,...	" "	60	5	6	...	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	1	...	3	1	38	
71 ACACIA,.....	Coloma,.....	El Dorado,...	" "	55	5	8	2	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	35	
72 SAINT HELENA,...	St. Helena,....	Napa,.....	" "	50	1	6	5	3	2	4	...	1	5	...	...	...	2	1	48	
* MOUNT HEEMON,...	Elizabethtown,...	Plumas,....	" "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
73 HENRY CLAY,.....	Sutter Creek,....	Amador,....	" "	80	...	6	1	2	3	5	...	...	1	...	1	4	...	...	53	
74 HOWARD,.....	Yreka,.....	Siskiyou,...	" "	75	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	1	...	2	...	41	
75 JEFFERSON,.....	La Porte,.....	Plumas,....	" "	50	...	6	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	23	
76 HORNITOS,.....	Hornitos,.....	Mariposa,...	" "	60	5	6	2	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	2	3	...	28	
77 LA GRANGE,.....	Merced,.....	Merced,....	" "	50	5	8	2	2	3	1	...	3	5	...	...	...	1	...	44	
78 CAMPO SECO,.....	Campo Seco,....	Calaveras,...	" "	50	5	6	2	3	5	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	1	...	25	

List of the Subordinate Lodges

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List of the Subordinate Lodges, etc.—Continued.

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NAMES OF LODGES.	PLACE OF LOCATION.		Numbers.	DATE WHEN CHARTER WAS ORDERED.		Fee for aff'n	Fee for deg's	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Restored.	Withdrawn.	Suspension pay't of dues	Suspended for un- ma's nic cond	Expelled.	Died.	Rejected.	Ent. App's.	Fell. Crafts.	M. Macons.
	TOWN.	COUNTY.																			
168 SO. SAN FRANCISCO,...	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,...	212	Oct 14, 1871.		75	12	1	2	2	3	...	2	1	...	...	1	...	3	...	45
169 BODEGA,...	Bodega,...	Sonoma,...	213	" "		50	1	1	1	1	...	...	8	...	...	1	...	...	4	...	14
170 SAN BUENAVENTURA,...	San Buenaventura,	Ventura,	214	" "		75	6	2	2	1	3	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	72
171 OAK GROVE,...	Alameda,	Alameda,	215	" "		50	2 12	2	3	2	1	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
172 DORIC,...	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,...	216	" "		75	10 12	14	11	12	2	...	...	3	...	2	2	2	3	...	34
173 MONTEREY,...	Monterey,...	Monterey,	217	" "		60	1	6	...	1	1	...	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	28
174 PLEASANTON,...	Livermore,...	Alameda,	218	Oct. 11, 1872.		50	5	9	...	2	...	...	2	3	...	...	1	3	...	...	38
175 SPERANZA ITALIANA,...	San Francisco,...	San Francisco,...	219	" "		75	10 12	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	6	1	...	...	61
176 DOWNNEY,...	Downeyville,...	Los Angeles,	220	" "		75	5 12	12	12	9	1	...	5	...	1	2	...	2	...	...	59
177 INYO,...	Independence,...	Inyo,...	221	" "		50	2 12	4	5	5	4	...	1	2	...	1	1	...	2	...	36
178 GRANITE,...	Rocklin,...	Placer,...	222	" "		50	12	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	37
* MAUI,...	Wailuku,...	Hawaiian Islands,	223	Oct. 18, 1873.		...	5 12	1	3	2	6	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	3	...	36
179 BAKERSFIELD,...	Bakersfield,...	Kern,...	224	" "		50	9	...	1	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	35
180 BROOKLYN,...	Oakland,...	Alameda,	225	" "		50	5 12	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	22
181 HAYWARD,...	Half Moon Bay,...	San Mateo,	226	" "		50	12	2	2	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	31
182 CONTRA COSTA,...	Somersville,...	Contra Costa,	227	" "		50	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	33
183 ATHENS,...	Davisville,...	Yolo,...	228	" "		50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	69
184 SOLANO,...	Vallejo,...	Solano,...	229	" "		50	5	6	1	1	2	...	1	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	37
185 NORTH BUTTE,...	Gridley,...	Butte,...	230	" "		65	12	9	6	6	3	...	1	1	...	...	...	5	...	...	32
186 COVELO,...	Covelo,...	Mendocino,	231	Oct. 16, 1874.		50	1	6	4	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31
187 JANEVILLE,...	Janeville,...	Lassen,...	232	" "		52	1	6	2	3	2	...	5	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	33
188 CALISTOGA,...	Calistoga,...	Napa,...	233	" "		65	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30
189 HOPE,...	Beckworth,...	Plumas,...	234	" "		60	1	6	3	4	...	...	5	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	32
190 SURPRISE VALLEY,...	Cedarville,...	Modoc,...	235	" "		50	...	...	5	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33
191 HILL'S FERRY,...	Hill's Ferry,...	Stanislaus,	236	" "		50	...	6	8	6	7	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	53
192 GUADALUPE,...	Guadalupe,...	Santa Barbara,	237	" "		50	...	6	8	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26
193 TYRE,...	Gold Run,...	Placer,...	238	Oct. 14, 1875.		65	...	6	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	17
194 PESCADERO,...	Pescadero,...	San Mateo,...	239	" "		50	5 12	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	55
195 EQUALITY,...	Colusa,...	Colusa,	240	" "		50	...	2	3	3	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
196 SANTA ANA,...	Santa Ana,...	Los Angeles,	241	Oct. 12, 1876.		50	1	9	...	...	12	...	2	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	40

197	MAGNOLIA,.....	242	Santa Barbara, ..	Santa Barbara, ...	Oct. 12, 1876.	50	6	4	4	3	4	2	9	...	1	...	1	...	1	40
198	EUCALYPTUS, ...	243	Hayward's,.....	Alameda,.....	" "	50	5	12	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	17	
199	ALCATRAZ, ...	244	Oakland,.....	Alameda,.....	Oct. 11, 1877.	50	12	2	3	2	3	...	3	1	...	...	...	1	50	
200	LAUREL, ...	245	Willows,.....	Colusa,.....	" "	75	5	12	6	7	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	34	
201	POMONA, ...	246	Pomona,.....	Los Angeles, ...	" "	50	5	6	1	1	2	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	21	
202	FRESNO, ...	247	Fresno,.....	Los Angeles, ...	Oct. 10, 1878.	55	5	12	7	6	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	26	
203	ALTURUS, ...	248	Alturus,.....	Modoc,.....	" "	60	1	12	2	2	17	...	3	...	1	...	...	...	15	
204	GREENVILLE, ...	249	Greenville, ...	Plumas,.....	" "	60	12	1	1	1	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	
205	ADIN,.....	250	Adin,.....	Modoc,.....	" "	50	1	12	1	1	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	
206	BROTHERHOOD, ...	251	Duncan's Mills,...	Sonoma,.....	" "	50	12	2	1	...	11	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	11	
207	BODIE,.....	U.D.	Bodie,.....	Mono,.....	.....	100	12	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	

						464	487	489	541	69	414	374	6	12	184	137	257	88	12281	

REPRESENTATIVES

Of the Grand Lodge of California near other Grand Lodges and Grand Orients.

Argentine Republic, ...	<i>Ill.</i>	VALENTIN F. BLANCO, 30 ^o , ...	1877.
Canada, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. EDWARD MITCHELL, G. T., ...	1877.
District of Columbia, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. JOSEPH W. NAIRN, P. D. G. M., ...	1874.
Egypt, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. F. F. ODDI, G. S., ...	1877.
Florida, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. SAMUEL B. STEPHENS, P. G. M., ...	1870.
Georgia, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. JAMES W. TAYLOR, S. G. W., ...	1875.
Hungary, ...		W. The Baron FREDERIC PODMANICZKY, ...	1876.
Illinois, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. THEODORE T. GURNEY, P. G. O., ...	1877.
Indiana, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. FRANK S. DEVOL, G. M., ...	1877.
Iowa, ...		W. WILLIAM B. LANGRIDGE, Asst. G. S., ...	1869.
Kansas, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. JOHN H. BROWN, P. G. M., ...	1874.
Kentucky, ...		W. FREDERICK WEBBER, P. M., ...	1874.
Louisiana, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. JOHN Q. A. FELLOWS, P. G. M., ...	1869.
Maine, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. HENRY H. DICKEY, J. G. W., ...	1872.
Manitoba, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. W. N. KENNEDY, G. M., ...	1877.
Minnesota, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. GEORGE W. PRESCOTT, G. S., ...	1860.
Mississippi, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. JOHN S. JONES, S. G. W., ...	1877.
Missouri, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. JOHN E. RYLAND, P. D. G. M., ...	1877.
Nebraska, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. ORSAMUS H. IRISH, P. G. M., ...	1873.
New Hampshire, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. *JOHN A. HARRIS, P. S. G. W., ...	1874.
New Jersey, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. JOSEPH TRIMBLE, P. G. M., ...	1870.
New Mexico, ...		W. HENRY LINN WALDO, P. M., ...	1878.
New York, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. CHARLES ROOME, G. Marshal, ...	1872.
Nova Scotia, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. STEPHEN R. SIRCOM, P. G. M., ...	1869.
Ohio, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. JOHN D. CALDWELL, G. S., ...	1874.
Oregon, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. JOHN McCRAKEN, P. G. M., ...	1870.
Pennsylvania, ...		W. CHAUNCEY S. RUSSELL, P. M., ...	1874.
Peru, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. ARTHUR M. WHOLEY, G. M., ...	1876.
Tennessee, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. TOWNSEND A. THOMAS, P. D. G. M., ...	1869.
Texas, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. PHILIP C. TUCKER, P. G. M., ...	1874.
Utah, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. JOHN SHAW SCOTT, D. G. M., ...	1877.
Vermont, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. HENRY CLARK, G. S., ...	1874.
Virginia, ...		W. WILLIAM B. ISAACS, P. M., ...	1874.
Washington, ...	<i>M.</i>	W. THOMAS M. REED, P. G. M., ...	1869.
West Virginia, ...	<i>R.</i>	W. KEPHART DELWAR WALKER, S. G. W., ...	1874.
Wisconsin, ...		W. WILLIAM C. SWAIN, P. M., ...	1876.

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Argentine Republic,.....	M. W. WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER, P. G. M.,	1877.
British Columbia,.....	V. W. *JAMES LAIDLEY, G. T.,	1873.
Canada,.....	M. W. WILLIAM CALDWELL BELCHER, P. G. M.,	1877.
District of Columbia,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1866.
Egypt,.....	M. W. LEONIDAS E. PRATT, P. G. M.,	1877.
Florida,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1869.
Georgia,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1875.
Illinois,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1860.
Indian Territory,.....	M. W. GEORGE CLEMENT PERKINS, G. M.,	1875.
Indiana,.....	M. W. JOHN MILLS BROWNE, G. M.,	1877.
Iowa,.....	M. W. ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, P. G. M.,	1875.
Kansas,.....	M. W. ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, P. G. M.,	1875.
Kentucky,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1870.
Louisiana,.....	R. W. ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, D. G. M.,	1869.
Maine,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1872.
Manitoba,.....	M. W. JOHN MILLS BROWNE, G. M.,	1877.
Minnesota,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1859.
Mississippi,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1869.
Missouri,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1861.
Nebraska,.....	M. W. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, P. G. M.,	1874.
New Hampshire,.....	M. W. ISAAC SUTVENE TITUS, P. G. M.,	1875.
New Jersey,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1870.
New Mexico,.....	R. W. WILLIAM WILSON TRAYLOR, D. G. M.,	1878.
New York,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1859.
Nova Scotia,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1867.
Ohio,.....	M. W. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DAVIES, P. G. M.,	1874.
Oregon,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1869.
Spain,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1878.
Tennessee,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1869.
Texas,.....	W. WILLIAM ALEXANDER JANUARY, P. M.,	1874.
Utah,.....	V. R. WILLIAM HENRY HILL, P. G. Chap.,	1877.
Virginia,.....	W. WILLIAM ALEXANDER JANUARY, P. M.,	1874.
Washington,.....	V. W. ALEXANDER GURDON ABELL, G. S.,	1866.
West Virginia,.....	V. W. *JAMES LAIDLEY, G. T.,	1875.

GRAND LODGES OF NORTH AMERICA

In Correspondence with the Grand Lodge of California.

GRAND LODGES.	GRAND SECRETARIES.	RESIDENCES.	ORGANIZED.
ALABAMA.....	Daniel Sayre.....	Montgomery.....	June 11, 1821.
ARKANSAS.....	Luke E. Barber.....	Little Rock.....	Feb. 22, 1832.
BRITISH COLUMBIA.....	Eli Harrison, Jr.....	Victoria.....	June 26, 1871.
CANADA.....	John J. Mason.....	Hamilton.....	Oct. 10, 1855.
COLORADO.....	Edward C. Parmelee.....	Georgetown.....	Aug. 2, 1861.
CONNECTICUT.....	Joseph K. Wheeler.....	Hartford.....	July 8, 1789.
DAKOTA.....	Charles T. McCoy.....	Bon Homme.....	June 24, 1875.
DELAWARE.....	William S. Hayes.....	Wilmington.....	June 6, 1806.
DIST. OF COLUMBIA.....	Wm. R. Singleton.....	Washington.....	Feb. 19, 1811.
FLORIDA.....	DeWitt C. Dawkins.....	Jacksonville.....	July 5, 1830.
GEORGIA.....	J. Emmett Blackshear.....	Macon.....	Dec. 16, 1786.
IDAHO.....	Charles Himrod.....	Boise City.....	Dec. 16, 1867.
ILLINOIS.....	John F. Burrill.....	Springfield.....	April 6, 1840.
INDIANA.....	William H. Smythe.....	Indianapolis.....	Jan. 12, 1818.
INDIAN TERRITORY.....	W. A. McBride.....	Atoka.....	Oct. 5, 1874.
IOWA.....	Theodore S. Parvin.....	Iowa City.....	Jan. 8, 1844.
KANSAS.....	John H. Brown.....	Wyandotte.....	Mar. 17, 1856.
KENTUCKY.....	Hiram Bassett.....	Millersburg.....	Oct. 16, 1800.
LOUISIANA.....	James C. Batchelor.....	New Orleans.....	June 12, 1812.
MAINE.....	Ira Berry.....	Portland.....	June 1, 1820.
MANITOBA.....	John H. Bell.....	Winnipeg.....	May 12, 1875.
MARYLAND.....	Jacob H. Medairy.....	Baltimore.....	July 31, 1783.
MASSACHUSETTS.....	Tracy P. Cheever.....	Boston.....	July 30, 1733.
MICHIGAN.....	William P. Innes.....	Grand Rapids.....	Sept. 17, 1844.
MINNESOTA.....	Azariah T. C. Pierson.....	Saint Paul.....	Feb. 23, 1853.
MISSISSIPPI.....	J. L. Power.....	Jackson.....	July 27, 1818.
MISSOURI.....	John D. Vincil.....	St. Louis.....	Feb. 22, 1821.
MONTANA.....	Cornelius Hedges.....	Helena.....	Jan. 24, 1866.
NEBRASKA.....	Wm. R. Bowen.....	Omaha.....	Sept. 23, 1857.
NEVADA.....	John D. Hammond.....	Carson.....	Jan. 16, 1865.
NEW BRUNSWICK.....	William F. Bunting.....	Saint John.....	Oct. 10, 1867.
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	George P. Cleaves.....	Concord.....	July 8, 1789.
NEW JERSEY.....	Joseph H. Hough.....	Trenton.....	Dec. 18, 1786.
NEW MEXICO.....	David J. Miller.....	Santa Fe.....	Aug. 7, 1877.
NEW YORK.....	James M. Austin.....	New York.....	Sept. 5, 1781.
NORTH CAROLINA.....	Donald W. Bain.....	Raleigh.....	Jan. 14, 1771.
NOVA SCOTIA.....	Benjamin Curren.....	Halifax.....	June 21, 1866.
OHIO.....	John D. Caldwell.....	Cincinnati.....	Jan. 4, 1808.
OREGON.....	Rockey P. Earhart.....	Portland.....	Sept. 15, 1851.
PENNSYLVANIA.....	John Thomson.....	Philadelphia.....	—, 1754.
PRINCE EDW'D ISLAND.....	B. Wilson Higgs.....	Charlottetown.....	Oct. 31, 1874.
QUEBEC.....	John H. Isaacson.....	Montreal.....	Oct. 20, 1869.
RHODE ISLAND.....	Edwin Baker.....	Providence.....	June 27, 1791.
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	Charles Inglesby.....	Charleston.....	Aug. 20, 1737.
TENNESSEE.....	John Frizzell.....	Nashville.....	Oct. 14, 1794.
TEXAS.....	George H. Bringham.....	Houston.....	Dec. 20, 1837.
UTAH.....	Christopher Diehl.....	Salt Lake City.....	Jan. 16, 1872.
VERMONT.....	Henry Clark.....	Rutland.....	Oct. 14, 1794.
VIRGINIA.....	William B. Isaacs.....	Richmond.....	May 6, 1777.
WASHINGTON.....	Thomas M. Reed.....	Olympia.....	Dec. 9, 1858.
WEST VIRGINIA.....	Odell S. Long.....	Wheeling.....	April 12, 1865.
WISCONSIN.....	John W. Woodhull.....	Milwaukee.....	Dec. 18, 1843.
WYOMING.....	Wm. G. Tonn.....	Evanston.....	Dec. 15, 1874.

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BRAZIL, GRAND ORIENT OF,.....	Alex. Freire do Amaral,...	<i>Rio de Janeiro.</i>	
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GERMANY, GRAND LODGE OF,.....	Fried. Wilh. Léop. Nikisch,	<i>Berlin.</i>	
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ITALY, GRAND ORIENT OF,.....	Luigi Castellazzo,.....	<i>Rome.</i>	
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PERU, GRAND ORIENT OF,.....	Arthur M. Wholey,.....	<i>Lima.</i>	
PORTUGAL, GRAND ORIENT OF LUSITANIA, ..	A. M. da Cunha Bellem, ..	<i>Lisbon.</i>	
PRUSSIA, {	MOTHER NATIONAL GRD. LODGE, Johann Bernhard N. Groh, ..	<i>Berlin.</i>	
	ROYAL YORK GRAND LODGE, ..	Carl August Bouché, ..	<i>Berlin.</i>
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SPAIN, GRAND ORIENT OF,.....	Pedro Pablo Castañera, ..	<i>Madrid.</i>	

GRAND OFFICERS

Elected since the Organization of the Grand Lodge of California,

On the 18th day of April, A. L. 5850.

1850.

JONA. DRAKE STEVENSON, <i>Grand Master</i> , JOHN ALLEN TUTT, <i>Dep. Grand Master</i> , CALEB FENNER, <i>Sen. Grand Warden</i> ,	* SASCHEL WOODS, <i>Jun. Grand Warden</i> , * LEVI STOWELL, <i>Grand Treasurer</i> , JOHN H. GIBON, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .
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1851.

JOHN ALLEN TUTT, <i>Grand Master</i> , BENJ. DANIEL HYAM, <i>Dep. Grand Master</i> , * E. F. W. ELLIS, <i>Sen. Grand Warden</i> ,	* BENJ. S. OLDS, <i>Jun. Grand Warden</i> , TOWNSEND A. THOMAS, <i>Grand Treasurer</i> , * LEVI STOWELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .
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1852.

BENJ. DANIEL HYAM, <i>Grand Master</i> , CHAS. MORTON RADCLIFF, <i>Dep. Gr. Master</i> , ADOLPHUS HOLLUB, <i>Sen. Gr'd Warden</i> ,	JOHN RANDOLPH MCCONNELL, <i>J.G. Ward</i> . ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer</i> , * LEVI STOWELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .
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1853.

CHA'S MORTON RADCLIFF, <i>Grand Master</i> , TOWNSEND A. THOMAS, <i>Dep. Gr. Master</i> , JOHN RIGGS CRANDALL, <i>Sen. Gr. Warden</i> ,	* RICHARD F. KNOTT, <i>Jun. Gr. Warden</i> , ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer</i> , * LEVI STOWELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .
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1854.

* WM. HENRY HOWARD, <i>Grand Master</i> , NATH'L GREENE CURTIS, <i>Dep. Gr. Master</i> , RECTOR ELISHA COLE, <i>Sen. Gr. Warden</i> ,	* ROBERT N. WOOD, <i>Jun. Grand Warden</i> , ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer</i> , * LEVI STOWELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .
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1855.

* WM. HENRY HOWARD, <i>Grand Master</i> , TOWNSEND A. THOMAS, <i>Dep. Gr. Master</i> , * JOHN A. RAYMOND, <i>Sen. Gr'd Warden</i> ,	SAMUEL A. MERRITT, <i>Jun. Grand Warden</i> , ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer</i> , * LEVI STOWELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .
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1856.

* WM. HENRY HOWARD, <i>Grand Master</i> , * JOHN A. RAYMOND, <i>Dep. Grand Master</i> , * LEMUEL LYON, <i>Sen. Grand Warden</i> ,	PETER WILKINS RANDLE, <i>Jun. Gr. Warden</i> , ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer</i> , ALEX. GURDON ABELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .
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1857.

NATH'L GREENE CURTIS, <i>Grand Master</i> , * CHARLES MARSH, <i>Dep. Grand Master</i> , AARON DAVIS PARK, <i>Sen. Grand Warden</i> ,	* JOHN BAPTISTE BOPE, <i>Jun. Gr. Warden</i> , ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer</i> , ALEX. GURDON ABELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .
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1858.

NATH'L GREENE CURTIS, <i>Grand Master</i> , * PHILIP W. SHEPHEARD, <i>Dep. Gr. Master</i> , WILLIAM MCCORMICK, <i>Sen. Gr. Warden</i> ,	JAS. WITHERSPOON BICKNELL, <i>J.G. Ward</i> . ADDISON MARTIN, <i>Grand Treasurer</i> , ALEX. GURDON ABELL, <i>Grand Secretary</i> .
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1859.

NATH'L GREENE CURTIS, *Grand Master*,
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1861.

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1862.

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1863.

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1865.

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1867.

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1868.

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1869.

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1870.

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